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ordan No Longer ressing for Joint eat With the PLO

ly David B. Ottaway MMAN, Jordan -- Jordan will nger press for a joint Jordani-alestinian delegation at any Middle East peace talks and support a separate Palestine ration Organization seat at the sources familiar with King sein's thinking said Monday. 2c PLO already had told Jorthat it has no interest any long-1 a joint délegation following months of disturbances in the

a Strip.
sraeli officials, stung by foreign
rision footage showing four solsbeating two Palestinians, are
sidering banning journalists
a areas of the occupied West
k and Gaza Strip. The New
k Times reported Monday from
selem. Two more Palestinians salem. Two more Palestinians | Monday in the occupied terries, bringing the total since dis-nances began to 75.]

he Jordanian position, coned to reporters accompanying urge P. Shultz, the U.S. secretary tate, seems certain to compli-: his already difficult task of ing a basis for peace talks muly acceptable to Israel and to

srael has refused to negotiate h the PLO, and the U.S. governnt is forbidden by law to have contacts with PLO representa-s until the organization re-mes terrorism and recognizes

J.S. officials have been assumthat any Palestinians partici-ing in new negotiations would part of a joint delegation with dan and would include individs approved by the PLO but not

l-known members.
An aide to Mr. Shultz said such a egation had "always been part the concept" of a new peace ference and said "it's not an ie." But he would not say wheth-ie thought Jordan would be will-

ing now to press the PLO to join a joint delegation.

The Jordanian sources made it clear, however, that King Hussein is not going to repeat the frustrating experience he went through in 1985-86 when he carried out extensive negotiations with the PLO chairman, Yasser Arafat, on a joint

platform and delegation.

While agreement was largely reached then on a delegation, the king broke off his negotiations with Mr. Arafat in February 1986 in frustration because the PLO leader would not make clear his stand on recognizing Israel and renouncing

The Jordanian sources made it clear Monday that the Arab posi-tion generally has hardened after the uprising in the occupied territo-

Mr. Shultz still has not presented any formal plan, though he keeps talking about a "package" that has to be considered as a whole. An aide said the secretary was still "defining the ideas" in the package and that there was "still nothing on

On Monday night, Mr. Shuitz returned to Jerusalem, where he held his fourth round of separate talks with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir of Israel and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres.

The failure of Mr. Shamir and Mr. Peres to agree on joint meetings with Mr. Shultz because of their differences over the U.S. peace plan has forced the secretary to conduct a kind of "shuttle diplomacy" between the two rival leaders of the Israeli coalition govern-

■ Ban on Journalists? John Kifner of The New York Times reported Monday from Jeru-

As the Palestinian unrest continued, two more Arabs died Monday, raising the number of Palestinians

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South African religious leaders marching to Parliament in Cape right, Reverend Mjojo, Archbishop Naidoo, Archbishop Tutu, Town on Monday before police stopped them: They are, left to Reverend Boesak, Reverend Chikane and Reverend Luckett.

Tutu Is Arrested at Protest in Cape Town

By William Claiborne

Washington Past Service
JOHANNESBURG — Archbishop Desmond M. Tutu and other religious leaders were arrested Monday in Cape Town after at-tempting to march to Parliament with a petition protesting the government crackdown on anti-apartheid organizations.

The church leaders were detained briefly at a police station. They were released on their own recognizance after being told that formal charges against them for contravention of emergency regulations were being considered.

It was the first time that Arch-

second time this decade.

In addition to Archbishop Tutu, the two dozen clergymen arrested Monday included Archbishop Stephen Naidoo, a Roman Catholic leader, the Reverend Allan Boesak, esident of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches; the Reverend Frank Chikane, general secretary of the South African Council of Churches, and the Reverend Khoza Mjojo, president of the Methodist Church in South Africa.

bel Peace Prize in 1984 and only the creasingly see themselves as the last legal avenue for nonviolent dissent against the government's apartheid policies and white minority rule.

Cape Town policemen sprayed water cannon on another group of about 100 clergymen and supporters who protested the arrests with a sit-down near Parliament. The demonstrators were then loaded into police vehicles as they recited the Lord's Prayer.

The arrests came as the South African Council of Churches and The arrests underscored the po- other religious bodies sought to fill

bishop Tutu, the head of the Anglican church in South Africa, has between church and state in South Wednesday with the effective banding anti-apartheid groups and the placing of severe restrictions on the country's largest trade union federation.

Invoking emergency powers, President Pieter W. Botha gave Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok the authority to prohibit "any activities or acts whatsoever" by any of the organizations.

After his release, Archbishop Tutu said at a news conference that the arrested clerics represent 12 million South African Christians and could not be dismissed by the

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Ethnic Friction Is Said to Spark Rampage in Key **Azerbaijan City**

By Philip Taubman
New York Times Service

MOSCOW - The Soviet Union on Monday reported an outbreak of rioting Sunday in one of the country's major oil centers that was apparently related to recent nationalist unrest in the same region.

The official news agency Tass said that the industrial city of Sumgait, on the Caspian Sea in the heart of one of the country's main areas for the production of oil and natural gas, was the scene of a violent rampage Sunday.

Unofficial information reaching Moscow indicated that the rioting in Sumgart, a city of 220,000 people, involved fighting between Azerbaijanis and Armenians.

[The Associated Press quoted a prominent dissident, Sergei I. Grigoryants, who is of Armenian ori-gin, as saying: "Thugs in Sumgait went up to people and asked them if they were Armenian or not. They started to beat people who said they were Armenians. Several peo-

ple were knifed."] The city is located in the Azerbaijan Republic, which, along with the neighboring Armenian Republic, has been shaken by nationalist

protests and clashes. The eruption in Sungait, not far from the Azerbaijani capital of Baku, suggested that tensions in the two republics had spread to an area of acute economic importance

to the Soviet Union. The rioting also suggested that the temporary suspension of protests in the Armenian capital of Yerevan over the weekend did not mean a quick end to one of the most serious cases of nationalist unrest in the Soviet Union since the

Recent clashes between the two groups in other parts of Azerbaijan left two Azerbaijanis dead and several dozen Armenians and Azerbaijanis injured, according to government reports.

The two peoples are divided by religion — the Armenians primarily Christian, the Azerbaijanis primarity Shiite Moslem — and a his-tory of conflict predating the formation of the Soviet Union.

The report about Sumgait came as protests continued in the Nagorno-Karabakh Autonomous Region, a largely Armenian area within Azerbaijan,

The recent wave of nationalist unrest has centered on the revival of longstanding demands that the region be unified with Armenia.

Residents and government officials in Stepanakert, the capital of Nagorno-Karabakh, said in telephone interviews Monday that Armenian demonstrators were again marching through the city.

Demonstrations began in Nagorno-Karabakh on Feb. 13, then spread to Yerevan a week later, where hundreds of thousands of Armenians boycotted schools and jobs, pouring into the center of the

Yerevan was quiet again Monday, as life and work returned to normal following Mikhail S. Gorbachev's personal intervention Friday to ease what had become perhaps the most serious domestic crisis since he took office three

After Mr. Gorbachev called Friday for restoring order and told two leading Armenian writers that he would review the grievances that touched off the protests, Armenian nationalist leaders appealed Saturday for a one-month suspension of the demonstrations in Yerevan.

Tass, following the government's policy of disclosing only sketchy reports about the unrest, said the disturbances in Sungait were provoked by "a group of hooligans,"

"Rampage and violence followed," Tass reported.

The news agency added. "Measures have been adopted to normalize the situation in the city and safeguard discipline and public order. An investigation has been

Marcos Exile Could End, Officials Say

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches MANILA - President Ferdinand E. Marcos may be allowed to return to the Philippines from Ha-waiian exile if he agrees to recognize President Corazon C. Aquino and settles charges against him, of-

ficials said on Monday. Mr. Marcos, in an interview with a Manila radio station, said he is prepared to appoint representatives "to negotiate the details and conditions" under which he and his

family will return. We will never be short in our sacrifices even at the cost of our lives, fortune and honor as we have demonstrated repeatedly," Mr.

Marcos said by telephone from his Honolulu residence. Mrs. Aquino's press secretary. Teodoro Benigno, said that Mrs.

Aquino sent two relatives - both members of Congress — to see Mr. Marcos in Honolulu in January after receiving the first official message from the deposed ruler indicating his desire to return home. Mr. Benigno said there has been no official response to Mr. Mar-

cos's request, conveyed to Representatives Egmidio Tanjuatco and Francisco Sumulong. Mrs. Aquino herself said, "Not

yer," when asked by reporters if she would allow Mr. Marcos to return. Mr. Tanjuatco, a cousin of Mrs. Aquino, said that he met Mr. Marcos on Jan. 26. "We met only once." Mr. Tanjuatco said. "The

meeting was between him and my-self only. During the meeting, Mr. Marcos reiterated to me his desire to return to the Philippines at the earliest opportunity. Mr. Marcos issued a statement saying: "We welcome the sincere

and honest efforts by the present Philippine government to invite all political factions to organize one united political structure supporting the civil government and the armed forces of the Philippines to solve the crisis of insurgency and economic collapse without bloodshed and violence.

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sraeli Faith in Sons Is Shaken

Vhat Has Happened?' Many Who Viewed Beatings Ask

By Alan Cowell New York Times Service (IBBUTZ GESHER, Israel by Bar is the secretary of this butz 600 yards from the border h Jordan, and last Friday, he i a faith that survived wars and ir decades seemed suddenly to

Residents switched on their teleion sets and saw one of their own

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Dow at Highest Since Collapse

NEW YORK (UPI) — The low Jones industrial average of 30 stocks jumped 48.41 points Monday to 2,071.62, its righest closing since the stock narket collapse on Oct. 19.

Dealers on the New York
stock Exchange said investors vere cheered by signs that the J.S. economy is growing at a noderate but steady pace.

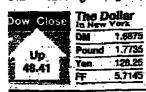


Opposition supporters at a ally in Panama City, where ı general strike got little upport Monday. Page 8.

Reneral News

The issue of cuts in convenional forces will be a priority n this week's NATO summit

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- Saguy Harpaz, 20, a sergeant in the Israeli Army — shown with 'same situation as Sergeant Harpaz, three other soldiers beating two he-continued, "I cannot be sure, I Arab captives in the occupied West can only hope that they will not behave like this."

The videotape footage from CBS News, which appeared on Israeli television in a shorter version, shocked many across the land. Peo-ple shielded from what Palestinians call the "uprising" were faced with the army practices that offer Israelis protection.

Here, where they cherish the lib-

eral message of the kibbutz movement and nurture perceptions of soldierly valor and honor that date in large part from the fighting in 1948, the images on the videotaped excerpt seemed to contradict the lessons of history

"I made many wars," said Mr. Bar, 66, "and I was never in such a STEERMORE." The message we give over to our sons is human and liberal, seeking

to compromise with the Arabs," he said. "It is part of the education not to hate the Arabs. As children, they were taught to differentiate between good and bad." Once, he felt certain that the

ee would stick "I have two sons of military

age," he said. If they were in the

What, then, had happened to the message? "I don't know," he said. The sudden injection of harsh images has stirred passions in Kib-butz Gesher that reflect the wider debate among Israelis about what has happened to their image, in their eyes and in the eyes of others, and what the outburst of violence and counterviolence is doing to those charged with holding the lands captured 21 years ago. Sergeant Harpaz and the three

other soldiers have been arrested. "I taught my son to go to the army with his head held high, to contribute and protect," Sergeant Harpaz's mother, Amalia, said in an interview with the army radio before her lawyer advised her not

"And what has happened here?" she said, blaming her son's orders for his plight, "He has become a beater of children and women." "For a long time, Israelis have been saying that there is an crosion

to talk to reporters.

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An Israeli soldier prevented a cameraman from covering an anti-Israeli demonstration Monday in Hebron, on the occupied West Bank.

A Key Générale Stake Goes to de Benedetti

By Jacques Neher

PARIS - The Italian financier Carlo de Benedetti got a valuable boost Monday in his fight for Société Générale de Belgique when he teamed up with two of Belgium's most prominent businessmen. In the process, one of his new partners, the industrialist André

Leyson, surrendered his crucial 2.2percent stake in Générale, moving Mr. de Benedetti closer to taking over Belgium's largest company. The new alliance, analysts said, could help Mr. de Benedetti splinter a rival French-Belgian investor

group that has been battling for six weeks for Générale. It also might present a more politically palatable solution for the company's future Mr. de Benedetti's French investment arm, Cerus, signed an agreement Sunday night with Mr. Leysen, who is chairman of Ge-

vacrt NV, and Pierre Scohier,

chairman of the holding company Cobepa, to form a new investment

company, with Generale stock as

its principal holding. The alliance seeks the participation of other Générale shareholders. The deal called for Mr. Leysen to sell his shares to a third party friendly to Cerus, thus pushing Mr. the Benedetti's stake in Generale past 47 percent, sources said.

Mr. Leysen, who earlier headed

an effort to block Mr. de Benedetti's attempt, said that the ongoing drama — which he jokingly re-ferred to as "Dallas' Without Women" - had gone on long

"All parties seem to realize that," he said, "and Gevaert in its new role will do everything so that harmony is restored in the shortest Cobepa, the Belgian subsidiary

of the French investment bank Par-

ibas, owns about 30 percent of Gevaert and is its largest shareholder. The rival French-Belgian group, led by Compagnie Financière de Suez, has brushed aside Mr. Leysen's olive branch and reaffirmed the claim it made last week that it

holds 52 percent of Generale stock. "Mr. de Benedetti's alliance with Belgians is good for him," a Suez spokesman said, "but it doesn't change the fact that we still have 52

Mr. Leysen, from the Flemishspeaking part of Belgium, is a for-mer president of the Belgium em-ployers association. Mr. Scohier of Cobepa, from the French-speaking area, wields financial power in

"These two men could give subdrifted down to them. stantial added value to Mr. de Ben-Life has become harder, not easier, they edetti's bid," said Luc Van den say. Officially, inflation was said to be a troops. But they do not accept these indignimodest 5.3 to 5.5 percent last year, but Rouse with grace, and that is the problem. Brande, a dealer at Peterbroeck, See GENERALE, Page 15

In Strike-Beset Italy, the Party's Over

Life is, in fact, a battle most days. Romans

complain that it begins when they leave their

homes to try to get to city center offices,

who've heard that a newly

Residents of Rome

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Washington Past Service
ROME.—All roads may lead to Rome, but these days they are harder and harder to

By Loren Jenkins

Barely a day goes by without one of the major access routes to The Eternal City being blocked by strikes or demonstrators. Not only Rome is affected. As Senator

Nino Andrealta, a leading economist, said,
"The party is over in Italy."

Realities long ignored, or swept under the
rug, such as the economic demands of the constantly striking airline pilots, baggage handlers, railway workers and even traffic cops, are going to have to be dealt with if the roads to Rome are to be reopened before the all-important tourist season bursts upon the

country in the spring If they are not dealt with, Mr. Andreatta said, then life in Rome, as well as in the rest of Italy, will be characterized by uncertainty and turmoil - not by the certainty and stability that it seemed to have achieved at

last only a few years ago.

On any given day, a labor dispute at Leonardo da Vinci International Airport, or a wildcat strike on the national railway may prevent tourists from entering the city. Even when air and rail routes are open, the streets of Caesar's ancient city are subject to

daily blockages from protest marches. Having heard in recent years that a newly dynamic Italy has surpassed Britain to be-come the fifth larges: industrial economy in the world, residents of Rome are wondering why more benefits of this success have not

bureaucracy and ends only after they get home at night after being subjected to bad-tempered shopkeepers, inching traffic and acrid pollution. By nature, Romans are used to putting up with the indignities that fate inflicts. After all, they have lived through everything from invasions of barbarians to occupation by German

Romans love to argue, complain and, when push comes to shove, demonstrate their unhappiness by strikes or protest marches — or, much more expensive and less satisfying.

The fact is that Rome, so recently hailed for its prosperity and livability, has fallen on 1970s, worse. With rents having doubled or trebled in the past five years, the price of a normal meal in a simple trattoria having jumped from the equivalent of less than \$10 to \$30 or more and the cost of stylish clothes - that mark of a true Roman - having at least doubled in the past decade, Romans are

far from happy. [Hundreds of secular Vatican employees said on Monday that they would refuse pay for three hours' work in protest at a change in the way they receive their salaries, Reuters

The employees, who continued to work normally, were protesting a decision to shift salary payment from the beginning to the end of the month. They said they would ask the Vatican to give their pay to papal charities fighting world hunger. The Vatican called the protest "totally unacceptable"]

The city's problems, of course, are not entirely of its own making. They reflect a more general national retrogression that is both political and economic, the results of the winding down of the economic boom of the early 1980s. Like the U.S. economy during the Reagan presidency, Italy's boom was fueled in no small measure on a mushrooming national debt to offset a widening trade deficit that last year alone ran at close to \$7 billion, or more than twice the 1986 figure.

The bubble had to burst, and it seems to have done so, plunging Italy back into the sort of social morass that gave it the appellation of the "sick man of Europe" before the

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Issue of Conventional Forces Is a Priority at NATO Summit

By Joseph Fitchett uenal Herald Tribune

PARIS - The most significant relative strengths? emerging issue for Western leaders at the NATO summit meeting this negotiations on reducing conventional forces in Europe.

A reduction in the ability of the Warsaw Pact to launch an all-out attack would be a watershed for postwar Europe.

The central problem of European security lies in the Warsaw Pact's conventional superiority." the West German foreign minister, Hans-Dietrich Genscher, said recently. Underlining Western hopes for conventional talks. President François Mitterrand of France said this weekend that "the two blocs are engaged in an overall disarmament process for the first time since World War II."

Western leaders say that conven- attack or for terrain-seizing." tional arms talks will be "the litmus test" of the intention of Mikhail S. Gorbachev, the Soviet leader, to ease tension in Europe.

For Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Britain, "the crying need in arms control is to get down Soviet conventional superiority." She told NATO officials last week to concentrate on this possibility and freeze any further nuclear arms cuts in the meantime.

The complexity of conventional negotiations matches their potential promise. The East-West talks about troop cuts in Europe, known as the Multilateral Balanced Force Reductions, have lasted 15 years without sending home one soldier from the front in Central Europe. in search of a more constructive

approach, diplomats and analysts

have worked for months on com-

plex questions, including: • How many troops and what kinds of weapons do the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and

and how should one assess their

 What should the West's objecttives be? Is it enough for Moscow week is the prospect of East-West to pull back troops or are Soviet tanks the main Western worry?

 Who should conduct the negotiations on behalf of the West? Most previous disarmament talks have been bilateral affairs involving the superpowers, but more than 20 nations are to take part in conventional talks about Europe.

NATO is expected to agree on some of these issues at the summit meeting, which starts Wednesday. Karsten G. Voigt, a West German defense specialist, said, "We are converging — at least we, the United States and Britain — on agreement that we want to eliminate categories of weapons that provide the capability for surprise

The objective, he said, is to move away from the old approach of counting troops, used in the troopreduction talks, and seek instead to scrap armaments that give soldiers

their firepower.
"We need to go beyond beancounting to capture qualitative factors - how modern is their equipment, how ready are their units. how reliable are the troops," said a specialist at RAND Corp., a U.S. research institute.

Whatever the approach, the Soviet Union will be asked to accept "large asymmetrical cuts" in its forces, according to Alton G. Keel, U.S. ambassador to NATO.

"Large." he said. means "much on Security Cooperation in Eularger cuts than NATO makes" and tope. established by the Helsinki also "large in absolute numbers." In other words, the Soviet Union may be asked to scrap 20 or 30 divisions in exchange for Western cuts of four or five divisions.

yet to agree among themselves Europe.

the Warsaw Pact have in Europe about the East-West balance of forces in Europe.

Estimates of the East-West balance vary widely. The International Institute of Strategic Studies in London says, for example, that the Warsaw Pact has a 3.5-to-1 advantage in tanks, while the West German Defense Ministry says the edge is less than 2 to 1.

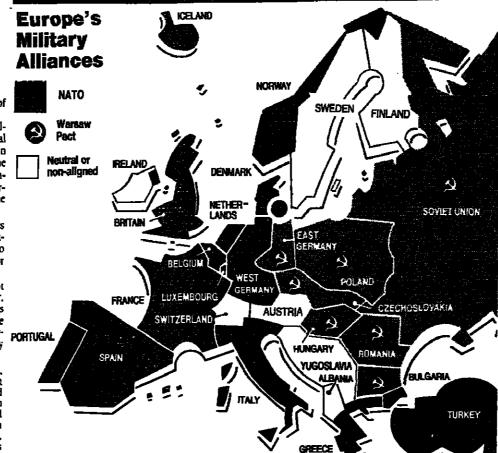
These discrepancies in statistics can be overcome, disarmament experts say, by military inspections to warn either side of preparations for

Once talks start, they need not take years, said John Steinbrunner. research director at the Brookings Institute in Washington. NATO, he said, could "trade" some attack aircraft for Soviet tank and artillery

Before the bargaining can start, however. Western nations must agree on how to organize the allied bargaining position. Agreement on this, called a mandate, was blocked for months by a dispute between the United States and France, which is joining conventional arms control talks for the first time. It boycotted the troop-reduction talks because they were conducted under the auspices of NATO and the Warsaw Pact.

The "conventional stability talks" will involve 23 nations — 16 from NATO and seven from the Warsaw Pact - and they in turn will consult with the other 12 neutral or nonaligned nations that be-long to the 35-nation Committee Conference in 1973,

France has insisted on having the talks cover all of Europe "from the Atlantic to the Urals" to emphasize their larger aim, of eventually elim-But Western governments have inating the East-West division of



Now, the Soviet SS-20 Perambulator

MOSCOW - A high-ranking official in the defense industry of the Soviet Union announced in the Su-preme Soviet on Monday that he plans to beat Russian bombs into baby carriages.

Holding aloft a photo of a fancy new perambulator. Sergei Shuklin, a leader of the Defense Industry Workers' Trade Union, told generals and Central Committee members that the INF Treaty with the United States means "we are now transferring the Votkinsk Machine Building Plant from military production to 'peace' production, to a people's economy. He said that the Volkinsk plant, in the Urals, will switch from building SS-20s to baby carriages.

"Are you sure you will be able to meet demand?" one committee member shouted. Carriages and other baby equipment are in short supply in the Soviet Union. "We will do our best to see that you have no complaints," Mr. Shuklin said.

He also said that other conversions are under way, The Votkinsk plant is also producing washing machines ("probably 400,000 a year," Mr. Shuklin said), a plant in Petropavlovsk will make bicycles, and an enterprise in Volgograd is building underwater oildrilling equipment.

Then the chairman of the committee, Gyorgy Kornienko, announced that he himself was the proud owner of a Votkinsk washing machine and was "quite satisfied with its performance.

Reagan Says NATO Unity Comes First

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches WASHINGTON - President Ronald Reagan, trying to soothe European leaders in advance of a North Atlantic Treaty Organization meeting, pledged Monday that he would "never sacrifice the interests of our allies and friends" for any arms control agreement with the Soviet Union.'

Mr. Reagan is scheduled to leave Tuesday for Brussels, where he will meet with NATO leaders in an attempt to lay the groundwork for allied unity in advance of an anticipated Moscow summit meeting, probably in late May, with the So-viet leader, Mikhail S. Gorbachev. In a speech to the annual con-

vention of the American Legion, has never been stronger or more unified" but he encouraged the Eu-ropean allies to pay a greater share f their defense costs. Budget cutbacks in the United

States have caused some unhappiness in NATO. Prime Minister An-ibal Cavaco Silva of Portugal complained to Mr. Reagan last week that U.S. aid had dropped below

In recent years, Mr. Reagan said, we've seen the emergence among some of our European allies of a willingness, even an eagerness, to seek a larger, more closely coordi-nated role for Western Europe in providing for its own defense within the overall framework of the alliance. And we Americans wel-

He said the U.S. commitment to the alliance "has not been inexpensive but the tragic lessons of two world wars teach us it has been

cheap at the price. While pledging to work for a 50 percent reduction in U.S. and Soviet strategic weapons and a global ban on chemical weapons, Mr. Reagan said that "a serious imbalance in conventional forces in Europe must be addressed as an equally high priority." (WP, AP)

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Iran and Iraq Trade Strikes on Cities; Tehran Asks UN to Help Stop Raids

NICOSIA (Reuters) — Iran said that Iraqi jets bombed residential areas in Tehran on Monday, killing or wounding several people. Iraq had vowed to retaliate after two Iranian missiles hit Baghdad on Monday. saying that the strikes had caused many civilian casualties.

The Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored here, said that a hospital had been hit in Tehran, and Tehran radio said that bombs fell in several areas of the capital. Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati of Iran asked the United Nations on Monday to take urgent action to stop the Iraqi attacks, Tehran radio reported.

In a letter to the UN secretary-general, Javier Perez de Cuellar, Mr. Velayati said Iran would have no choice but to continue reprisals if attacks by Baghdad on population centers were not halted. A government statement read on Tehran radio ordered all ministries, schools and public institutions to have their air raid shelters and basements ready for use

Iran said that it had fired three missiles at military and com tions targets in Baghdad on Monday in reprisal for Iraqi air attacks that killed at least 28 civilians in Iran since Saturday.

Bokassa Death Sentence Commuted

BANGUI, Central African Republic (AP) - President Andre Kolingba commuted the death sentence that was imposed on the former Emperor Jean-Bedel Bokassa to life imprisonment in solitary confinement, the national radio reported Monday.

The Mr. Bokassa lost his appeal to the Supreme Court last November, He had been convicted in June of ordering the murder of at least 20 political opponents. He also was convicted of diverting huge sums from

the national treasury.

General Kolingba, who is reported to be opposed to capital punishment, had commuted all previous death sentences imposed in the former French colony. Mr. Bokassa was living in exile in France when he slipped away and flew back to Bangui in 1986 to vindicate himself "before the Central African people." He had been convicted in absentia and sentenced to death in 1980, but on his return he was arrested and retried on charges of murder, cannibalism and embezzlement.

China Denies Gromyko Story on Mao

BELIING (Reuters) — China denied Monday that Mao Zedong sought to here U.S. troops into the Chinese heartland and massacre them with nuclear weapons.

The soon-to-be-published memoirs of President Andrei A. Gromyko of the Soviet Union assert that Mao tried to enroll Soviet help for the plan. The New York Times said last week.

The newspaper reported that Mr. Gromyko, who was Soviet foreign minister from 1957 to 1985, said he traveled to Beijing in August 1958 to reject the plan. He quoted Mao as saying that even if a nuclear war wiped out 300 million Chinese, there would still be enough Chinese left to hold off intruders. The Chinese Foreign Ministry said in a brief statement that Mr. Gromyko's "recollection and related description do not square with

Gandhi Offers India Austerity Budget

NEW DELHI (NYT) - Faced with India's worst economic slump in eight years, the government of Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi proposed a budget Monday containing tough austerity measures coupled with emergency relief for the rural poor.

Among the proposals were tax increases and surcharges that officials said were needed to help pay for rising food subsidies, military spending and programs for those hurt by what has been called the worst drought in

This followed increases in the prices of rail travel, postage, gasoline and other items, all also aimed at increasing government revenues.

Sihanouk Rescinds His Resignation

BELITNG (AP) - Prince Norodom Sihanouk has reversed his decision to resign the leadership of the Cambodian resistance coalition, his secretary said Monday.

Prince Sihanouk will continue a yearlong leave of absence as head of the coalition, a leave he began in May last year, his secretary, Diaha Mackintosh, said. She said she did not know the reason for the reversal, He resigned Jan. 30 as president of the three-party coalition fighting to end the Vietnamese occupation of Cambodia. At the time, he accused his partners, the Communist Khmer Rouge and the non-Communist Khmer People's National Liberation Front, of trying to discredit him and undermine his efforts to negotiate a settlement with the government installed by Vietnam in Phnom Penh.

Impeachment Trial Opens in Arizona

PHOENIX, Arizona (AP) — The state Senate opened the impeaciment trial Monday of Governor Evan Mecham, whose 13 months in office have also been scarred by a recall effort and a criminal indictment. Senate leaders said they would spend up to two months hearing testimony and arguments before deciding whether the governor, a Republican, should be removed. He is accused of trying to conceal a campaign loan, of borrowing \$80,000 in state funds for his automobile dealership, and of trying to thwart an investigation of allegations that a state official made a death threat against a former aide who testified

Mr. Mecham, 63, has denied all the charges. He also faces a March 22 criminal trial on six felony charges of concealing the \$350,000 campaign loan, and a May 17 recall election. He temporarily surrendered his office to the Democratic secretary of state, Rose Mofford, after he was impeached Feb. 5 on a 46-14 House vote.

Budget Cuts Delay SDI Deployment

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Plans for initial deployment of a space based U.S. anti-missile defense have been set back as much as two years. until after the mid-1990s, due to budget cuts, the director of the program

"We have tried to cut down and build at a reasonable rate from where we are," Lieutenant General James A. Abrahamson said. "It's the sum of all of those cuts that add up to that year, year and a-half, perhaps two years, "he said. General Abrahamson stressed that President Ronald Reagan's Strategic Defeuse Initiative was "still a very, very high priority

Former Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger had said be hoped for initial deployment of ground-based interceptor rockets combined with a space-based tracking system by around 1994.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Continental Seeks West Berlin Hub

HOUSTON (AP) — Continental Airlines has filed an application with air attaches in West Berlin to open a hub in the city to serve destinations

all attaches in west Berin to open a hilb in the city to serve desimanous in West Germany and others parts of Europe.

The airline, which is based in Houston, is seeking permission to serve several West German cities, including Cologne, Düsseldorf, Frankfurt and Stuttgart, as well as London and Paris, a Continental vice president said. The proposal was filed 10 days ago and is expected to be acted on in several months, a Houston newspaper reported Monday.

Britain Sets Safety Rules for Ferries

LONDON (Reuters) — Britain introduced new safety rules Monday for Ierries crossing the Channel, responding to the Herald of Free Enterprise accident last year in which nearly 200 people died. Ferry companies started issuing boarding passes and, beginning Tuesday, it will be a illegal for a captain to let his ferry leave its berth without closing the bow doors through which vehicles board and disembark. The captain of the British-owned Herald of Free Enterprise, which keeled over minutes after leaving the Belgian part of Zeehrusge, did not know over minutes after leaving the Belgian port of Zeebrugge, did not know the doors were open.

Air France is to start daily flights between Paris and the southern English port of Southampton on March 28, the carrier announced Monday. Air France also is to begin serving Newcastle and Glasgow in



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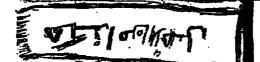
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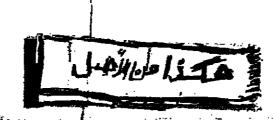
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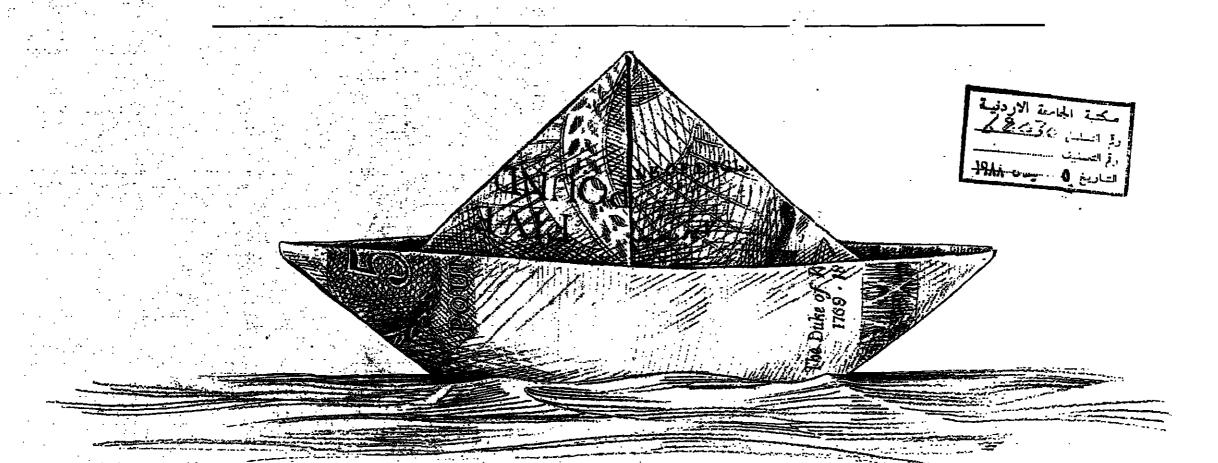
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Solutions for Debt

of its foreign bank debt for securities backed by U.S. bonds.

Item: Brazil, after refusing for a year to pay interest to commercial banks, reverses field and pledges to cooperate with creditors. Those look like milestones, suggesting that the Third World debt crisis is moving

toward resolution. But the good news masks bleak reality. Denied new sources of capital, most of the major debtor countries are stagnating. Economies ripe for development are actually exporting capital.

Washington, fearing the banks' displeasure and worried that a misstep would shake public confidence in the financial system, is reluctant to force the pace of settling Third World loan disputes. But the risks of official intervention pall compared with the certain costs of delay. Besides dimming the prospects of hundreds of millions of the world's poor, debt gridlock destroys markets vital to the health of the developed economies.

Through the 1970s, commercial banks. overnments and international agencies lent hundreds of billions to poor countries. Much of the money was spent on consumer goods. invested in worthless projects or secretly recycled to foreign bank accounts. Borrowers' ability to earn revenues from exports did not

grow with their ballooning debts.

Mexico's default in 1982, after the collapse in oil prices, dramatically exposed the debtors' weaknesses. New lending dried up. Debt continued to accumulate, though, as debtors failed even to cover their interest obligations. Today, 17 big debtors owe about \$485 billion, mostly to private lenders.

If a single debtor faced a single lender, a deal to soften the terms on old loans and to set conditions for new lending probably would have been made long ago. In fact, hundreds of lenders with varying risk exposure, operating under varying national regulations, face dozens of borrowers with varying political will and economic capacity.

Heavily exposed banks resist concessions

Item: With help from Morgan Guaranty. that would force them to write off much of Mexico promotes a plan to exchange some their net worth. All resist concessions to the their net worth. All resist concessions to the poorest debtors that would create precedents for middle-income debtors. Debtor countries fear public wrath if they accept tougher terms than their neighbors.

There is no market-based solution in sight, but neither is there a deadline for settlement. The easy course would be to let creditors and debtors muddle through on their own. Why not? Because muddling

through is stunningly expensive.
Living standards in the principal borrowing countries have fallen an average of 11 percent in the last seven years. Without fresh nfusions of capital, regional economic powerhouses like Brazil and Nigeria will be denied a chance to modernize. Third World recovery is also critical to balancing American trade. U.S. exports to Latin America are down sharply and will not recover until the region has access to foreign capital.

The principles of a broad resolution to

 The bindings of a bload restriction to the debt problem are reasonably clear:
 The Morgan Guaranty plan for Mexico offers a general model. Creditors will need to trade partial forgiveness of debts for liquid securities backed by governments

or international agencies.

The whole U.S. economy would benefit from a global debt settlement. It thus makes sense to disarm opposition from the

banks by giving them special tax breaks.

Private banks will not willingly supply the hundreds of billions that could be fruitfully put to work in the Third World in the next decade. To press them would only en-danger the world financial system. The money should come from governments, or from

corporations making equity investments.

• It is reasonable to ask the world's big savers, Western Europe and Japan, to sup-ply most of the capital for the Third World. It is not practical to ask them to bear a disproportionate share of the risk. The way to spread it is through multilateral lending agencies like the World Bank.

Pressures on Noriega

Delvalle, written off as the pupper of the canal. The prospect is real enough to make military strongman Manuel Noriega, privately demanded that he step down. General Nonega, who stands accused as the drug cartel's man in Panama, refused. With unexpected courage and also, it seems, with U.S. encouragement. President Delvalle then went public. The general responded with a move to appoint a new president, and Mr. Delvalle was forced into hiding. Now Panama has two presidents but, still, one strongman. Protests are being organized against General Noriega, while he attempts to turn to his advantage the popular David vs. Goliath resentments born of the still dominant

U.S. position on the Panama Canal. Something good could yet come out of this latest U.S.-backed effort to establish civilian constitutional rule in Panama. General Noriega, facing drug indictments in Miami, a tightening crisis at home and criminality and his contempt for democracertainly the outcome most to be desired. A more disagreeable outcome is also imaginable, including agitation in the countries to the drug maw. streets leading to repression and a gathering

many people wonder whether the Panamanian opposition and its U.S. friends, who range from Reagan administration stalwarts to liberal Democrats, have had a concrete plan in mind or whether in their frustration they simply figured to shake things up, hoping to uncork irresistible popular, business and international pressures or to embolden a patriotic colonel. However things were brought to this tur-

bulent pass, the basic goal now must be to find a peaceful and democratic solution to the political crisis in Panama and an easing of anxieties about a potential spillover onto the canal. The United States was slow to distance itself from General Noriega, a former partner in assorted intelligence activities. But it seems ready now to apply political and economic pressures - not military ones - with some discretion. The aim is to much international opprobrium for his neutralize General Noriega's cynical and false equation of democracy with U.S. incy, could come to favor retirement to some tervention and to give other Latin Ameri-place that would take him. That would cans the space they need to come out provide his country precious relief and is against a man who mocks democracy in his own country and who may play a larger role than any single man in delivering their

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

Yes but No to Refugees

In Moscow, the U.S. secretary of state won a Soviet promise to let more émigrés out. In Washington, meanwhile, the Reagan administration proposed a budget that would cut by a quarter the funds for resettling refugees in the United States. This beckoning with one hand and shooing with the other constitutes a two-faced policy, unacceptable even given dire budget difficulties.

The United States has a commitment to reduce the deficit; it also has a commitment, literal and historical, to help refugees. Some are from the Soviet Union, whose numbers are rapidly growing. There were 8,155 last year, nine times the 1986 number; most come to the United States.

Even as resettlement agencies struggle with this increase, an unexpected increase in Soviet emigration has developed among Armenians. About 1,000 Armenian emigrants were anticipated for 1987. Instead, 1,000 a month have turned up at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow. Nationalist unrest in Armenian areas could add to this tide.

America's duty to refugees extends to other countries - in Southeast Asia, for instance. It has a longstanding commitment to resettle refugees from Communist countries who have gone to Thailand. The Thais are so overwhelmed that they push boatloads of refugees back to sea. Yet just when U.S. support is crucial to protect first asylum in Thailand, the Reagan administration pro-poses to reduce by 6,000 a year (to 23,000)

the number of Indochinese it will allow in.
The surge into Thailand is partly a result of Western pressure to free Vietnamese from "re-education." Similarly, the gradual loosening of Soviet emigration responds in part to U.S. demands. Just as these policies bear fruit, the administration proposes to reduce

America's ability to receive and provide. A resettlement agency official sizes up the situation this way: "It is ironical and kind of dumb that the U.S. had an enormous foreign policy victory in getting the Soviet Union to allow the Armenians and Jews out, and now is short of money to pay for them. Nobody wants this to happen, not the president. Congress or the public.

To keep it from happening, the Reagan administration quickly needs to square commitments abroad with its priorities at home. - THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Comment

On Camera, Warts and All

The Israeli government must feel it is paying a heavy political price for the con-siderable freedom allowed to television crews covering the Arab riots in the West Bank and Gaza and the sometimes deplorable methods used to quell them. Many regimes, the Russians for example, would never have allowed cameras near such a disturbance in the first place. We have not yet seen any news film from Armenia. Nor did the South African government hesitate

to order the television crews out the moment it became clear that their coverage of unrest in the townships was having a powerful effect on world opinion. Such a step, by limiting international awareness of what was happening, would also conveniently reduce the pressure on Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir to arrive at some kind of accommodation with the Palestinians. It is to Israel's considerable credit that it has let us see its forces trying to contain the situation, warts and all. May it continue to do so. - The Daily Telegraph (London).

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OPINION



NATO: Reduce and Modernize at the Same Time

C AMBRIDGE, Massachusetts — Since the INF Treaty, an argument has erupted in NATO on what to do about U.S. and Soviet shorterrange nuclear weapons in Europe an argument likely to be finessed at

the NATO summit this week. The United States, Britain and most of the other allies worry about a slide toward the denuclearization of NATO strategy, as President Reagan indicated in a Feb. 23 speech. Most of NATO wants no negotiations with Moscow on the remaining 4,000 or so U.S. short-range nuclear weapons in Europe until Soviet conventional advantages on the continent have been redressed through an arms control agreement. These countries also support the rapid modernization of U.S. battlefield nuclear weapons and especially of the 28 pairs at poor laurables. cially of the 88 aging Lance launchers whose missiles have a range of about 60 miles (100 kilometers).

West Germans along the entire political spectrum disagree. They wonder why the alliance can work with the Soviets to eliminate intermediaterange nuclear missiles that could strike all countries from the Atlantic to the Urals, but refuses to try to reduce the great numbers of nuclear weapons that can only hit German soil.

Thus it was no surprise when Chan-cellor Helmut Kohl called on Feb. 7 in Munich for negotiations that would establish equal ceilings above zero on the remaining U.S. and Soviet land-

N EW YORK — The latest story was about Cubans bringing New Jersey's Union City back to life. Before that there were the young

Asian semifinalists in the Westinghouse science

competition in Queens, New York. Both are

parts of the same story: America's new immi-

grants are infusing old cities with long-missing vitality. The only thing wrong with the story is

that it might have been told many years sooner.

ment of U.S. cities during those bleak decades after World War II had America not, in the

1920s, reversed a centuries-old policy of relative-

ly free immigration? An answer to this question

is the astonishing rebirth of neighborhoods in cities all across the United States.

decline of urban areas after World War II, too

little weight has been ascribed to xenophobia and

the walls it raised against foreigners after World War I. Congress did not foresee when it then

lowered the gates on Europe, as it had slammed

them earlier on Asia, that by creating a demo-graphic hollow it was imposing a future penalty on America's older cities. Abruptly, the closure ex-

cluded a free flowing stream of community build-

ers who for successive generations had nourished

the growth and quality of American urban areas.

It is a reasonable supposition that the course of

In the conventional array of causes cited for the

How different might have been the predica-

By Robert D. Blackwill

based nuclear missiles in Europe. At modernization on either side should the same time, Mr. Kohl, attentive to occur while the talks were going on growing domestic opposition, refused a proposition likely to be sympathetito reaffirm publicly his government's willingness to replace the Lance missility received in West Germany. sile. So West Germany, as opposed to most of its NATO partners, wants to set limits in talks with the Soviet Union on short-range nuclear missiles as soon as possible and has no stom-

ach now to modernize them. The alliance needs to find a way to connect the military requirements of sustaining nuclear deterrence in Europe to the widespread and under-standable desire of West Germans to rid their country of at least some of the nuclear weapons stationed there. Arms control is not the answer. In such talks, Soviet negotiators could well propose to eliminate all land-

based nuclear missiles in Europe. Since the Soviets possess about 1,400 short-range systems to NATO's 88, such a 16-to-1 offer would be hard for West German politicians and citizens to resist. But to accept that deal would further undermine NATO's deterrent capability against the Warsaw Pact's conventional superiority. Moreover, it would put still greater pressure on the Federal Republic to eliminate the rest of the nuclear

weapons located there. Clearly, in such circumstances, the Soviet Union would argue that no

ton and the rest of NATO to stiff-arm

Bonn. The West Germans do have a right to ask why it is fine for the United States to negotiate a reduction in the nuclear threat to the American homeland but not so fine to do the same for West Germany. In addition, it can be debated whether NATO requires all of the 4,000-plus U.S. nuclear weapons remaining in West Germany after the INF agreement, many of which are artillery shells.

Most important, to ignore these West German concerns would weaken the alliance and produce an open sore in the indispensable U.S.-Ger-man security relationship. It would give a boost to those in West Germany who support neither a credible NATO force posture nor nuclear deterrence, and lead many moderate West Germans to conclude that Moscow was more reasonable than Washington on this crucial subject.

To avoid such a dangerous out-come, the alliance should adopt an initiative to reduce dramatically and modernize over five years its remaining nuclear weapons in Europe. This internal NATO bargain would entail: A 50-percent cut of U.S. muclear to the International Herald Tribune.

Cities Revived When the Immigrant Flow Resumed

By Louis Winnick

urban events during the 1950s and '60s would have been much less troubled had that demographic

discontinuity not occurred, had the doors to

America remained opened throughout the preced

ing years to the millions of Jews and others sacri-

ficed to Nazi ovens and to the additional millions

of uprooted people in occupied Europe and Asia.

of people acknowledged to be among mankind's more productive would have filled the economic

voids that desolated U.S. cities in later years.

Demographic renewal might have achieved what urban renewal so often failed to.

By the same token, Congress did not foresee

when it lifted America's immigration gates in

1965 that it was in effect legislating a program

of major significance to older cities.

That 1965 action, reinforced by subsequent

immigrant and refugee legislation, is sure to prove decisive in the long run for progress in places like Los Angeles, Miami, Seattle, Washington, D.C., and New York. The law of unin-

tended consequences can have a benevolent face.

quences of immigration are invariably positive. Each group of newcomers brings distinctive abil-

It would be folly to assert that the conse-

A sustained influx in the decades before 1965

weapons in Enrope, with a large num-ber to come out of West Germany.

• Replacement of Lance by a new missile in larger numbers and with an increased range, and modernization of other U.S. nuclear systems in Europe.

 Enhancement of NATO aircraft penetration capability and development of advanced air-launched cruise missiles for NATO air forces.

• A strong endorsement of British

and French nuclear cooperation and modernization.

• An agreement that there would be no further consideration of reducing U.S. nuclear weapons in Europe below 2,300 until the Soviet Union had made similar cuts and until NA-TO's conventional parity had been established with the Warsaw Pact.

Such an integrated program, al-though not risk-free and difficult to negotiate with Bonn and within NATO, would respond to the legitimate preoccupations of West Germany. Moscow would not like the idea. Neither would the left in West Germany. But it would help restore some stability and coherence to the nuclear component of NATO's strategy and strengthen deterrence in Europe.

The writer, U.S. ambassador to the conventional force negotiations in Vien-na from 1985 to 1987, teaches at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government. He contributed this com

ities and values and each undergoes distinctive

processes of adjustment and acculturation. The

stories of failed migrants who cursed their luck, who died as unfulfilled as when they came and

who added to the burdens of the host society.

ustory of urban migration is strewn with the

For all that, by every possible measure Ameri-

ca's experience with prior waves of foreign mi-

gration has proved on balance to have been of

surpassing benefit to both host and settler.

Most of today's new immigrants are strivers'

with a higher participation rate in the labor force

than native Americans. Many of them exhibit a

work ethic that shrinks the exalted Protestant ethic

to indolence. Others, like their predecessors, climb

a crooked ladder to achievement - the Chinese

teen-age extortion gangs, the Colombian hidalgos of cocaine. Others burden the schools with formi-

dable teaching problems, while others carry away all the glittering scholastic prizes. This much is sure: The story of these new

immigrants will be of profound significance to

the quality and performance of America's cities and their neighborhoods.

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The Bloc Offers Real Talk at Last

By William Pfaff

BERLIN — Perhaps the most sig-nificant of the changes that have taken place in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe since 1985 is that people there now speak openly and hon-estly about their situations and about the East's relationship to the West.

This writer has in the last year, in public or private circumstances, spo-ken with or listened to Soviet and East European political and academic figures including a member of the Su-preme Soviet, an economic adviser to Mr. Gorbachev, editors of party news-papers in Eastern Europe and officials of the international relations or economic research institutes of Czechoslovakia, Hungary, and Poland. Near-ly all spoke with a candor that was inconceivable as recently as three years ago, when wooden ideological language and sterile formulations still dominated official Soviet and East European discourse.

They speak as intelligent men and women, prepared to listen to what others say and to make constructive responses. These people, members of the Soviet and East European "nomenklatura," now say openly that their system is in crisis, or at least in

"a pre-crisis condition."

Even the individuals who deny this will add the revealing remark that, therefore, "we still have some time." Mr. Gorbachev himself has spoken of the Soviet Union as "on the brink," and of its "last chance.

The risk, they say, is that their sys-tem will become hopelessly outclassed in economy and technology by the Western powers and Japan. They admit that they have yet to find a way to generate in their own countries the dynamism of the capitalist West. They concede that their system has produced monstrous injustices which they

have only begun to rectify.

They say that in the past they overestimated the Western military threat, overmilitarized their own societies in reaction, and failed to grasp the importance of technological innovation and economic competition.

They talk about introducing market mechanisms into socialism. Many East Europeans think this largely irrelevant to the real problems of their own countries. Whether East European or Soviet, they argue that the Soviet Union no longer has answers to East European stagnation and decline, lacks the resources to help but

also no longer knows what to advise. Soviet leaders have told the East Europeans to put their own houses in order. Mr. Gorbachev has told the Communist parties of the bloc that they are themselves responsible for what happens in their countries.

Kremlin officials maintain that they are optimistic about the future of the Soviet Union - but of course they can hardly afford to envisage the alternative. The East Europeans are pessimistic, knowing that the real anthe Western system in one or another of its capitalist, social market or so-cial democratic versions.

The East Europeans allude to themselves as constrained by geography or as prisoners of history. They hold Germany ultimately responsible for their situation, while acknowledging that what is done is done, and that West Germany today

is not yesterday's Germany. They recognize that Germany remains the natural great power of Central Europe and that no future is imagmable for East-Central Europe in which Germany does not play a major role. To reconcile such a role with the role of the Soviet Union is their major preoccupation for the future. They say that there are worse situations imagin-able than the one they are in now. But there are better ones, too.

The Soviets, meanwhile, are more open about their economic problems than about foreign policy. But a common vocabulary is now being em-ployed throughout the East bloc, even in discussion of values and aims.

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Most importantly, people from the East are behaving like intelligent buman beings, rather than the puppet of political power and doctrine that they too often seemed in the past. At the same time, though, the fact that some of these people are the same ones who in the past spoke in the dead formulas of Soviet orthodoxy is a very sobering consideration.

They were afraid then. There is nothing Orwellian about it; they were afraid, caught up in a system of lear and obscurantism. They could become afraid again — as we could be made afraid. The honesty of the moment is more fragile than we may wish to think. The opportunity, which it provides us, should not be wasted.

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Higgins: A Strange Posting for an Inviting Target By Daniel Schorn said that concern over Mr. Buckley's

only "a junior military assistant"

handling routine administrative work. But Mr. Reagan created a dif-ferent impression when he said at his

news conference that "someone

would have a hard time getting se-

crets that could harm this country

The president's remark, and the

assignment itself, seemed to ignore the lesson of what happened to the

from a person of this kind."

WASHINGTON — "This was a case of gross mismanagement, and not necessarily by the Marine Corps," said Robert McFarlane, a for a field assignment. The 43-yearheadquarters, who said that he himself was under instructions from the Pentagon not to discuss the case. The "case" was the assignment last

June of Lieutenant Colonel William R. Higgins, fresh from two years of service in the office of Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger, to com-mand the Lebanon detachment of the UN Truce Supervision Organization in the face of standing rules against sending officers with recent access to sensitive information into communist or other hazardous areas. Colonel Higgins boasted of his

Weinberger connection to his 75-man multinational detachment. But one could also have read about it in publicly available Pentagon directories. On Feb. 17, Colonel Higgins was year, the 11th in four years in Lebavideotape, apparently under pressure, urging concessions to his cap-tors and blaming President Reagan for "crimes against the oppressed

people in the region." It is a "dangerous business to begin particular officer happened to volun-

teer when there was a vacancy." That is true enough, but there is more to the story than that. According to someone who worked in the secretary's office, Col-napped, Pentagon officials, for obvionel Higgins lobbied with Mr. Wein- ous reasons, stated that he had been

Corps," said Robert McFarlane, a for a field assignment. The 43-year-retired marine lieutenant colonel and old officer had spent three years in the former national security adviser.
"Good for him!" snapped a personnel officer at the Marine Corps

the Pentagon secretariat, a year at the National War College and two years as a military assistant to the secrethe Pentagon secretariat, a year at the

tary. During part of that time he served under the chief military assistant. Colin Powell, an army major general and now national security adviser at the White House. General Powell handled, among other things, the Pentagon end of the acquisition of anti-tank missiles for Iran. Command of the truce-observance force in Lebanon had always been a

U.S. Army slot since its creation in 1948. So, it came as a big surprise when the army's chief of operations wrote the marines's chief of personnel requesting that Colonel Higgins be permitted to receive the assignment. As an officer who had been attending the secretary's staff conferences

and handling classified documents, Colonel Higgins required a waiver kidnapped — the first American in a from standing regulations. Those rules bar, for three years (it used to be non. Within a week, he appeared on five), posting an officer in an area where he may be at risk. A Pentagon spokesman said the Lebanon post was "unrestricted," meaning that it did not require such a waiver. Mr. McFarlane, who himself flew to

Tehran in May, 1986, only five months with," Mr. Reagan said at his news after leaving his White House post, conference last Wednesday, "and this carried a poison capsule to be used in case of capture. He told me that enforcement of the travel restriction on officers possessing sensitive information has been lax in recent years. When Colonel Higgins was kid-

only other government officer taken hostage in Lebanon - a lesson bitterly remembered in the CIA. In March 1984, William Buckley, the CIA station chief in Beirut, was kidnapped while leaving the hotel where he maintained his office in the penthouse. Because he had been involved in Middle East anti-terrorism coordination, and was widely known

as a CIA officer, there had been mis-

givings in the agency about the Beirut

assignment. But he wanted it and per-

suaded the CIA chief at the time William J. Casey, to give him the job. Early in his confinement, Mr. Buckley appeared in a videotape (delivered to the U.S. authorities and never publicly released) that urged concessions to his captors. That was the first indication that he had cracked. Later, the CIA learned that, under torture by his Iranian captors, he had compromised many secrets

before he died in June, 1985. A year later, as part of the arms negotiations with the Iranians, the Reagan administration was still seeking a copy of the reported 80-page transcript of Mr. Buckley's interrogation under torture, as part of an effort to assess the damage

Vice President George Bush has

torment was in large part his motive to support the arms for hostages deal. Observers find it astonishing that, even as Congress last June was gearing up to investigate the Iran-contra affair, another American officer

The writer, a senior news analyst for National Public Radio, wrote this com-

whose record made him an inviting target should be sent to Lebanon.

ment for the Cox Newspapers.

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1888: Alexander's Tomb 1938: Moscow Trial Set

CGNSTANTINOPLE - Further MOSCOW - Another sensational examination of the sarcophagi recently discovered at Saida, in Syria, shows that among them is the sarcophagus of Alexander the Great, containing the body of the monarch.

MUSCOW — Another scassaccine mass political trial, this time involving twenty-one prominent defendants, will open Wednesday [March 2] at the Military Collegium of the Supreme Court. The men are accused of having a court heat length.

1913: An Aviation Feat

tion was completed yesterday after-noon [Feb. 28] when M. Brindejonc Commission. Their objects, it is stated. des Moulinais, the French aviator, arrived at the Villacoublay aerodrome, et Union and the separation from it. in near Versailles, having successfully accomplished, under adverse weather conditions, the tour of the circuit Paris-London-Brussels-Paris. A despatch to the "Temps" says that he had a the Far East. The final object was the narrow escape from escaping the fate overthrow of the governmental organization of the Soviet Union, and the of Mr. Cecil Grace, lost in the North Sea in December 1910. The total distance flown from Panis to London is

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Mr. Meese's behavior. But no lawyers are needed to understand the essential charseries of those documents.

Iraqi pipeline project have an unmistakable aroma. They show that people desiring to deal with the U.S. government on a high matter of state approached the Reagan administration as would someone trying to get a sewer contract from a two-bit city government. They thought the way to go was by personal influence. Why would Israel's prime minister approach Washington on a sensitive international matter by sending a handwritten letter to the attorney general,

who does not handle foreign policy? Shimon Peres is not stupid, and no one can doubt why he wrote Mr. Meese about the pipeline. He knew that the cy general was a man of influence in the Reagan administration, and he knew that sponsors of the project had an in with the attorney general.

Bruce Rappaport, an Israeli-born Swiss millionaire, was brought into the project in 1985 by Bechtel, the San Francisco engineering company that was planning to build the pipeline from Iraq to the Jordanian port of Aqaba. Iraq wanted guarantees that Israel would not attack the line, and Mr. Rappaport was an old friend of Prime Minister Peres. Mr. Rappaport in turn hired E. Rob-ert (Bob) Wallach, an old friend of Mr. Meese. When Mr. Meese was nominated as attorney general and legal ques-tions about his past activities were re-ferred to an independent counsel, Mr. Wallach acted as his lawyer.

Mr. Wallach asked the attorney general to arrange a meeting for him and Mr. Rappaport with the president's na-tional security adviser, Robert McFarlane. The meeting took place in June 1985. On Sept. 19, 1985, before making a trip to Washington, Mr. Peres wrote to Mr. Meese about the pipeline project.

"I have asked my friend Bruce and Pale to the work here the relief Bob to let you know the whole story." Mr. Peres said, "and I shall depend on

your judgment about the best way to handle this matter." Mr. Meese replied that he should talk to Mr. McFarlane. On Sept. 25, Mr. Wallach sent Mr. Meese a memorandum marked "For Your Eyes, Only," and filled with references to secret intrigue. The memo said Mr. Rappaport had "confirmed the ar-rangement" with Mr. Peres for Israel to get \$65 million to \$75 million a year for 10 years from the pipeline, and "a portion of those funds will go directly to"

Mr. Peres's Labor Party.

Another passage in the memorandum referred to Israel's role two weeks earlier in winning the release of an American hostage in Lebanon, the Reverend Benjamin Weir. Israel had arranged that by sending 508 U.S. anti-

A Telltale Aroma Is Rising In the Iraqi Pipeline Affair

By Anthony Lewis

BOSTON — The newly published tank missiles to Iran with the Reagan correspondence of Attorney General administration's approval — the begin-Edwin Messe raises legal questions about ning of the arms-for-hostages deals. The Wallach memo said there was a feeling in Israel that the United States "owes" for the Weir release. An "appro-The letters and memoranda on the priate" way to meet that obligation, it said, was to support the pipeline project. On Feb. I, when Mr. Meese first pub-

licly disclosed the existence of the memo, he said he could not recall the words about paying the Labor Party.

Mr. Meese said that Mr. Wallach was in the habit of "giving me lengthy memoranda" that the attorney general did

not have time to read "thoroughly." But that particular memorandum could not have failed to arouse the alarmed attention of any reader of modest intellect. The most junior assistant to an attorney general would have been aroused by the talk of interfering in Israeli politics and by the reference to the release of the hostage.

Questions of honor abound. How could Mr. Meese have ignored or forgotten those alarming passages? Why did he fail to supply the memo to the congressional committee and the special prosecutor investigating the Iran-contra scandal when both had subpoenaed all relevant documents? Why was he getting frequent memoranda on such sensitive subjects from an interested private lawwho was a close friend?

"The president has full confidence in the attorney general," the White House said after the latest disclosures. That says enough, about both men. The New York Times.



An Uninteresting Case of Medical Murder

WASHINGTON — There is a doctor on the loose, in Illinois it appears, who is either a gross fabricator or a killer. My guess is that he is a fabricator, in which case he need not go to jail, although he might consider a long sabbatical. The Journal of the American Medical Association must feel he is an honest killer, or it would not have pub-

lished his confession in its Jan. 8 issue. The confession, an anonymous eightparagraph essayette, recounts how he (or she) was awakened in the middle of the night to attend to a young woman whom he had never seen before and who was dying of cancer, painfully. Patient and doctor exchanged exactly five words "Let's get this over with," said she at which point the doctor took morphine from the nursing station and put the patient to sleep for good, as you would a cat. "It is over, Debbie," he writes.

Signed, Name Withheld by Request.
You may think I am over-condensing. I am not. I have skipped over (a) the first two paragraphs which tell us how tired, grumpy and resentful the resident is at peing awakened: (b) a technical description of the patient's labored breathing; (c) reference to a mysterious older woman (patient's mother?) standing by, wordlessly watching and presumably blessing the goings on; and (d) one line of perfunctory self-justification ("I could not give her health, but I could give her rest"). But my precis captures the tone: curt, chilling, existentially chic. Which is why I think the story, which has caused a furor, is a fraud. Not because it is medically improbable - although the alcohol drip that the patient

exactly once in 14 years - but because it is morally impossible. Not even the most progressive euthanasia enthusiast would mercy kill this way. Only a psychopath would. And psychopaths are not known for their propensity to confess.

The essay does not even read like a confession. It reads like a self-conscious short story. And when the author is found, or, more likely, when he reveals himself, he will take to the talk shows to

MEANWHILE

describe how he made up this story to shake doctors out of their lethargy, expose society's hypocrisy about cuthanasia, force people to confront the issue of death with dignity, etc., etc. Rubbish. Even as a piece of didactic

literature this fiction is a failure. Hard cases make for good ethics, and this is an easy case, so easy that, from the ethical point of view, it reads like a parody. There are dilemmas about euthanasia, and this case does not present them.

The doctor is barely awake. He does

not know the patient. He does not talk to the patient. He interprets "Let's get this over" with as an instruction to kill her. He makes no attempt whatever to alleviate her suffering short of killing her. (If she is vomiting continually because of the alcohol drip, then stop the alcohol drip and try some other kind of sedation.) He consults no other doctor. He makes the terrible decision himself. Very lonely, very heroic, very modern. Very criminal. was supposedly getting for sedation is so This is not mercy killing. This is existeneccentric a treatment that a former coltial murder, dressed in surgical gown eague of mine at the Massachusetts and a pretense of compassion. My implied criteria for legitimate eu-General Hospital reports having seen it

thanasia, which Dr. X grossly violated, are not made up. They come from the Netherlands, probably the most advanced country in the world on the question, where case law has set boundaries for permissible euthanasia. The Netherlands is a place where the high court recently overturned the conviction of a doctor who lethally injected a 95-year-old patient upon her request. Where there are already an estimated 5,000 to 8,000 cases of euthanasia a year. Where a survey of 25 general practitioners yielded nine mercy killings in 1985 alone. But even the Netherlands recently found two doctors guilty of murder and sent one to jail, because they had not established beyond a doubt the will of the patient. Our guy never even asked! Now, Dr. X has become a First

Amendment - or freedom of the press case. A grand jury in Chicago has subpoensed the Journal for documents, including the cover letter which would reveal who the doctor is. The American Medical Association, which publishes the Journal, is lighting the subpoena on the grounds that Illinois law protects editorauthor privilege. The grand jury sits in Cook County because that is where the Journal is published. No one knows where the act occurred, if it occurred at all. The burning questions now are: Who has jurisdiction over the case? How privileged is the editor-author relationship?

Perhaps this is the American way of making something out of a bad situa-tion: bad editorial judgment, bad ethical lesson, bad doctor. Maybe what can be salvaged out of this is a good First Amendment case. And why not? Because as a murder case - assuming this is not a hoax - this case is too open and shut to be interesting.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Narcotics: Make Them Legal, or Coordinate the War

Drugs are all about money. Today's governments, deficit-ridden and hardpressed to meet their budgets, cannot afford the immense sums for recruit-ment and enforcement that an all-out war on drugs requires. There is no way that the United States could even hope to match the \$10 billion that the Colombian drug cartel is offering its govern-ment to pay off that country's foreign debt in return for canceling its extradi-tion treaty with the United States.

There is only one remedy: Legalize drugs. That would reduce both the price of drugs — there are huge quantities available and the cost of legal distribution would be a fraction of the present one and their attractiveness as a status symbol. Eventually, Colombia and Bolivia and others would be compelled to substiinte other crops to make up for the huge drop in their gross national products.

We must simply accept the fact that

In response to "Drugs: How Not to Have the adult who abuses any substance a Healthy Neighborhood" and "Local Officials Only Mop Up" (Opinion, Feb. 16): irresponsible. If he does not respect him. drugs, alcohol, tobacco and so forth -is irresponsible. If he does not respect him-self, why should we respect him? If the same minimum legal age were estab-lished for drugs as for alcohol, if schools rigorously policed students, and if par-ents learned once again to do their duty by their children, the problem would gradually take care of itself.

JACK NORSTROM. London.

A. M. Rosenthal's stimulating col-umn "A Good Job for the Man, and the Man for the Job" (Feb. 10) should be considered seriously, not so much for his suggestion of a specific individual as U.S. drug czar as for getting a better handle on this problem. (No objections to Jesse Jackson, but the U.S. surgeon general, Dr. C. Everett Koop, might be a more knowledgeable candidate.)

The problems of drug trafficking and abuse are not under control, have thwarted social and economic improve-ment for Americans and millions in oth-

er countries, and will clearly not go away simply because billions of dollars are being thrown at them.
Since 1973 the Colombo Plan, an or-

ganization of 26 mostly Asian countries, has helped governments write better leg-islation; mobilize public and private resources in a coordinated effort: stress treatment and rehabilitation (very costly but necessary measures) instead of im-prisonment; establish a national coordinating agency with access — never enough, it seems — to financial and other resources; and, above all, produce an effective campaign to make everyone fully aware of the dangers of drug abuse and involvement in trafficking. It has vastly improved control in the region,

but there is still a long way to go. To be sure, many steps are being taken in the United States, and the Reagans have personally identified themselves with these programs. Nonetheless, the problem has not abated. And it appears to be a nonissue in the current U.S. political campaigning.

realistic and more intensive measures to deal with the dilemma. Naming a prominent and knowledgeable coordinator of this effort is essential.

> GILBERT H. SHEINBAUM, Colombo Plan Bureau. Colombo, Sri Lanka.

Horses for Courses

There is something wrong with the American economy and the people know it. That is why so many of them support Richard Gephardt, who points to a foreign scapegoat. But the trouble and the solution lie at home. They require more saving, private and public, and therefore less private and public spending or more taxes. What candidate has the courage to stand up and say so?

CHARLES A. ORR.

In "Campaign Asinimity" (Feb. 19), Russell Baker writes that "the better a Leaders, media and public must col-laborate more closely to identify more candidate's chances of winning the high-er the probability that he will do some-

thing dreadful or asinine." Mr. Baker seems to misunderstand the cause-andeffect relationship between integrity and chances of electoral victory.

Throughout his campaign, Bruce Bab-bitt spoke his mind, risking votes by telling people of the realities they did not want to face. Compare this behavior to that of Representative Richard Gep-hardt, who has campaigned by pretending to be any number of people he is not.

Several months ago, both Mr. Babbitt and Mr. Gephardt were dark horses. One chose to pander to the voters and became a major Democratic contender. The other maintained his integrity at the expense of his candidacy. The reality is that the less asinine candidates remain dark horses. Perhaps this rule explains why the best ites for the U.S. presidency can usually be found in front of the television set, not the cameras, on inauguration day.

STEVE DOPPELT.

Image Is All" (Feb. 13), about the process

of "easing the insecure to the top rungs of

Wilmette, Illinois. After reading "Wimp? Wunderkind?

the ladder of achievement," I find this poem by Emily Dickinson apposite:

I'm Nobody! Who are you?

Are you Nobody, too? Then there's a pair of us! Don't tell! they'd advertise, you know! How dreary to be Somebody! How public, like a Frog To tell one's name the livelong June To an admiring Bog!

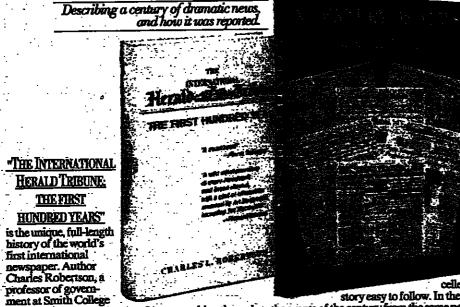
R. BERNARD. Saint-Etienne, France.

Good Plan, but Not Yet

Regarding "Visiting Florence? Don't Plan to Drive" (Feb. 13) by Barry James: The new provision by the city authorities to bar traffic from the historic center (where I live) is a little step to improve our lives. We will be able to breathe some air and not only gas. But we aren't ready! There is no parking, insufficient and inefficient bus service, and, maybe more important, people here don't have the mentality to do without cars.

RICCARDO NOLFI. Florence.

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presidential candidates disagreed on trade and budget policy but broke little new ground in their last debate before the Southern primatics and concurse begin this mean. ries and caucuses begin this week-

On an issue especially important in South Carolina. Senator Bob Dole of Kansas and Pat Robertson, the former religious broadcaster, argued Sunday for stiff limits on textile imports. Vice President supported "every single tax in-George Bush and Representative crease in the last eight years." Jack F. Kemp of New York op- Debate in Houston

posed such trade restrictions. The candidates are paying a disproportionate amount of attention to South Carolina, where a Republican primary will be held Satur-day, three days before 14 other Southern and border states and three states outside the region hold Republican nominating contests.

All the candidates but Senator Dole have stressed that they must do well in South Carolina if they hope to win the presidential nomi-

Opposing textile quotas, Mr. Bush said: "I don't think we ought to go down the protection road. I don't want to see retaliation. I don't want to see our agricultural

exports go down."
Mr. Kemp agreed, saying that "barriers to trade" would "cause a But Senator Dole said the candi-

"Japan and Taiwan and South Korea already block Florida oranges and Georgia peaches and Al-abama watermelous," the Senate Republican leader said.

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what more subdued in Sunday's can communicate simultaneously debate than they had in some previdebate than they had in some previous encounters. Poils across the day."

Bush well ahead.

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"I really think it is unfortunate." South show Mr. Bush well ahead. Senator Dole and Mr. Robertson are hoping to win delegates in se-lected areas to hold down the vice polls are accurate, is well behind

the efforts to reduce taxes," he as-

Vandals at Miami Synagogue

MIAMI — Vandals smashed 30 windows and painted swastikas on a synagogue and school building on

By David E. Rosenbaum The senator is the only Republican candidate who has said he ATLANTA - The Republican would even consider certain tax in-

would raise taxes are thought to have played a large part in the vice president's solid victory in the New Hampshire primary last month.

Mr. Kemp, apparently trying to seize the offensive, accused Mr. Bush and the senator of having

Michael S. Dukakis and Richard A. Gephardt were criticized by their Democratic rivals for missing Genhardt were criticized by the second of two presidential de-bates, United Press International reported from Houston.

I'm concerned that in debates like this we have too little time to focus on the new South's economic and environmental challenges," the Reverend Jesse L. Jackson said at the televised Texas forum Sunday

These are issues of substance. he complained to the National Association of Television Program Executives. "The agony for me," he added, "is that we are trapped in these 90-second sound bites, trying to say something of substance."

Senator Paul Simon of Illinois and Gary Hart of Colorado generagreed with that assessment, leaving Senator Albert Gore Jr. of Tennessee — who has staked his entire campaign on a strong showing in next week's Super Tuesday elections — defending the process that has led to an overflow of special-issue forums.

'I'm for more debates," Senator The candidates seemed some- Gore said. "With technology we Gore Jr., acknowledging that his presidential campaign has lacked a clear focus, has begun a major effort to redefine his quest for the

that Richard Gephardt and Mi-chael Dukakis chose to skip this debate," Senator Gore said. president's share. Mr. Kemp, if the candidates chose to turn their

On budgetary matters, Senator
Dole emphasized his opposition to higher taxes. "I have been leading the efforts to reduce taxes." he are jab at the leaders, saying: "Apparently they don't have that much Mr. Dukakis and Mr. Gephardt

will skip Sunday's debate in Mr. Gore's home state of Tennessee, and both Mr. Bush and Mr. Robertson will miss the Republican version, putting that debate in jeopardy, candidates' aides and de-bate sponsors said Monday.



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Democratic presidential candidates — from left: Gary Hart, Albert Gore, Paul Simon and Jesse L. Jackson — debating in Houston.

In Surprise, Jackson Runs 2d in Maine Caucuses

PORTLAND, Maine - The Reverend Jesse L. Jackson ran a surprisingly strong second to Governor Michael S. Dukakis in the Maine Democratic presidential caucuses, while Vice President George Bush apparently won all 22 of the state's national convention delegates in the Republican caucuses

Mr. Jackson won narrow victories Sunday in Portland and Bangor, the state's largest and third-largest cities. Mr. Dukakis, of Massachuwon in Lewiston, the second-largest city.

By E.J. Dionne Jr.

New York Times Service

presidency as a battle for "average

Mr. Gore's strategic shift — he

calls it a "refinement" — is reflect-ed in a revised stump speech and in new television commercials sched-

part at preventing Representative Richard A. Gephardt of Missouri

uled to begin airing this week. The new appeal is aimed in large

vorking men and women."

ATLANTA - Senator Albert

With 76 percent of the cities and towns reporting, Mr. Dukakis had won 43 percent of the available delegates to the state convention and Mr. Jackson 27 percent.

Another 20 percent were officially neutral. The remainder were divided among four other

"We consider this to be an overwhelming victory," said Ivan Suzman, a Jackson spokes-

Maine's delegates to the national nominating conventions will be selected at state party con-

the country's trading partners.

In addition, Mr. Gephardt has a

The biggest problem for Mr. Gore is that Mr. Gephardt shifted the ground of the campaign. Mr.

Gore had hoped to focus the debate

on foreign policy and to present himself as the candidate with the

toughest stand toward the Soviet

Union Instead, Mr. Gephardt has

begun to pre-empt the toughness issue by making nationalism an

The Gore campaign waxes furi-ous at Mr. Gephardt's appeal. Fred

and anxieties of a certain segment

sponse tinged with a xenophobic

tendency to blame foreigners for

the campaign sharply, from foreign

economic question.

quiet, since everybody concedes most of it to the Reverend Jesse L. Jackson.

On the two active fronts, each of policy to economics.

The appeal reflects the new dynamics of the Southern primaries

of March 8, which has been dubbed "Super Tuesday" because those

will be the largest group of contests

Mr. Gore, a Tennesseean, has bet his presidential hopes on the 14

states in the South and bordering it

that will be among the 20 voting in

Democratic primaries or caucuses that day. He wanted the balloting to have a regional cast, a contest in which Mr. Gore would be the Southerner with a tough-minded views on national defense running

Instead, a regional battle has

been transformed into a two-front

class war. On the one side, Mr. Gephardt is seeking blue-collar ballots with tough-sounding attacks on the trading practices of

South Korea, Japan, and West Germany. On the other side, Mr.

Gore finds himself battling Gover-

nor Michael S. Dukakis of Massa-

chusetts for the votes of upwardly mobile, more liberal white Southerners, many of whom were born

The third front of the Southern war, the battle for the black vote, is

outside the region.

against Northern liberals.

in the 1988 campaign.

State Democratic officials said the caucus tally likely would result in the selection of about 12 national delegates for Mr. Dukakis, six for Mr. Jackson and five uncommitted. Four more

An unofficial count by the Bush campa with 212 towns reporting, showed Mr. Bush had won 583 state convention delegates to 128 for

Opposition candidates said dur-ing Sunday's voting that Mr. Diouf's Socialist Party had handed out frandulent voting cards to its delegates, to be appointed, are expected to follow the statewide preference.

mercials are aimed mainly at lower-

Mr. Gore is trying to turn the

success of the Gephardt campaign

against Mr. Gephardt by suggest-ing that the Missourian's advocacy

Tre been consistently on the

side of working men and women," Mr. Gore, 39, clad in a checked

shirt and blue jeans, tells a group of

oil refinery workers in one of the new commercials. "I didn't vote against the minimum wage and for

nationalism of his own. "I think it's

time to put people back to work in

the oil and gas fields here in the

United States," he says, "and have

the rigs in Libya and Iran stay idle

for a change."

ther Mr Gore tries a little

powerful stump speech in which he income white-collar workers and lambastes the "establishment" for skilled blue-collar workers. They

accepting a decline in the living also are aimed directly at Mr. Gep-standards of the average American hardt.

Martin, Mr. Gore's campaign man-ager, acknowledges that Mr. Gep-hardt has tapped into "the angers around when it came time to make

ventions this spring. The Democrats will send 27 national delegates.

supporters.
Election day was relatively calm but the University of Dakar was sealed off Monday as riot policemen smashed doors to force their way into campus buildings and detained an undisclosed number of Gore Shifts Pitch to Blue-Collar Whites

the rest.

According to witnesses, some students were dragged from bed and beaten up. Others said police-men shaved the heads of some students to identify them should they take part in future demonstrations. ing a new one that specifically criti-cizes Mr. Dukakis and Mr. Gore tougher Al Gore, described by Mr. for not being willing to stand up to
the country's trading partners.

Strother as "gritty" and "very populistic." Mr. Strother says the com-

Riots Erupt

In Senegal

After Report

On Election

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatche

DAKAR, Senegal — President Abdou Diouf declared a state of

emergency in the capital region Monday after rious broke out fol-

lowing reports that Mr. Diouf was winning a new five-year term with

A broadcast on national radio

said that the declaration was "ing response to grave troubles this

morning and that public meetings were banned and would be broken;

Riot policemen fought running battles with students in the north

ern part of the capital, and students. throwing stones destroyed several

buses, witnesses said. Elsewhere,

the police used tear gas and rubber truncheons to break up groups of

opposition partisans.
The radio said Mr. Diouf, who

The radio said Mr. Diour, who won 83.5 percent of the vote in that 1983 election, had received 77 percent in early returns. It said the leading opposition candidate, Abig doulaye Wade of the Senegalese. Democratic Party, had won 21 per-z cent. Two other candidates divided the set.

77 percent of the vote.

Im

Some managed to escape arrest and went on the rampage in surrounding areas, setting fire to see cles, witnesses said.

Mr. Wade. 61, who is a land

and economist, has widespect support among Senegalese your The headquarters of his pan was raided Monday by policeme using armored vehicles and to gas. A West German photograph working for an American news agency was held when scuffling of the dispossessed is somehow ma-nipulative and dishonest in view of broke out outside the building.

Ex-General Runs For U.S. Senate

The Associated Press TINTON FALLS, New Jersey Peter M. Dawkins, the former television commercials and say ex- West Point football star who of the electorate." But he says Mr. actly the opposite. I've been consis- abruptly quit as a U.S. Army bright Gephardt's answer is protection-ism, a "narrow and shallow" re-Gephardt, but future ads might. Wall Street, announced his candidacy Monday for New Jersey's Re-Senate.

If he wins the party primary or June 7, as expected, Mr. Dawkins would face the Democratic incumbent, Frank R. Lautenberg, who

will be seeking a second term. the three main contenders is trying To carry out the transformation, Mr. Gore's now has a slogan, Mr. Dawkins and Mr. Lautento prove that he is the toughest Mr. Gore hired Raymond D. aimed at moderate-to-conservative berg already have raised millions Strother, a veteran of Southern Southern Democrats who have for the campaign. Mr. Lautenberg

from cornering the market on the votes of blue-collar whites in the Democratic race. Mr. Gore is cast as the champion of working folks, intent on doing "what is best for **Ethnic Clashes** in Another

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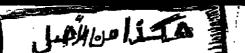
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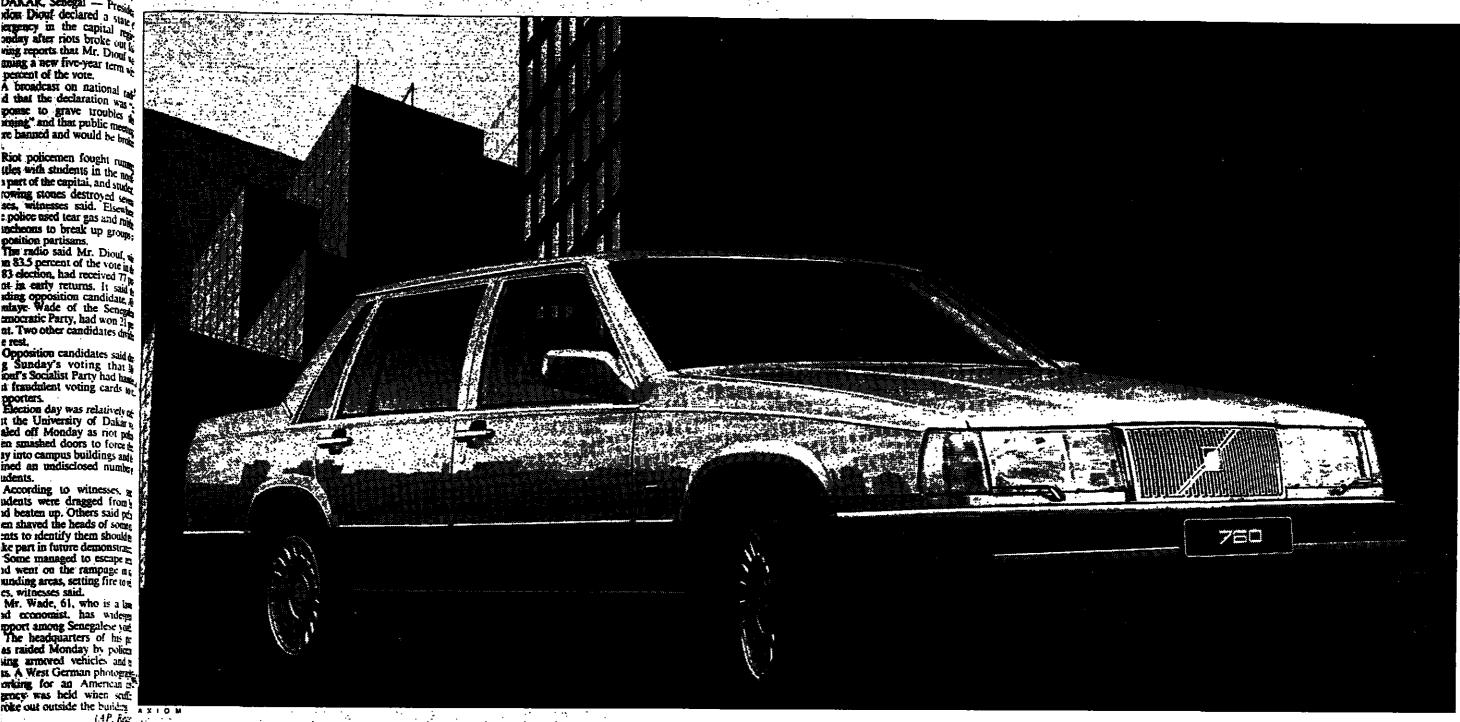
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"Im Volvo findet der Mercedes seinen Meister."



The German car magazine auto motor und sport has compared

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The Mercedes won 436-415 pts.

FAHRKOMFORT (suspension, seats, heating/ventilation, instruments).

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Winner the German car. (Test compared 6-cylinders. Volvo offers

a turbocharged 4-cylinder in some markets).

WIRTSCHAFTLICHKEIT (value for money, economy): A draw.

KAROSSERIE (quality, standard equipment, functionality, passenger space,

luggage space): Winner the Swedish car. Please refer to headline.

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Panama Opposition Fails to Get Support For General Strike

PANAMA CITY - A general strike called by Panamanian opposition leaders to demand the resignation of General Manuel Antonio Noriega, the country's military leader, failed Monday to gain wide-

spread support. The opposition National Civic Crusade coalition had called for an indefinite strike to force General Noriega to step down following the removal Friday of Eric Arturo Delvalle as president. Mr. Delvalle has been in hiding since Saturday.

On Monday, the police briefly detained Aurelio Barria, a leader of the Civic Crusade and head of the Chamber of Commerce. Meanwhile, Manuel Solis Palma,

who replaced Mr. Delvaile, lashed out at the United States, saving propaganda from Washington had led other nations to refrain from recognizing his government. The Reagan administration has said it considers Mr. Delvalle to be

the legitimate head of state and is studying nonmilitary ways of putting pressure on Panama to restore him to office. Mr. Solis Palma, who had been

education minister, was appointed president by the legislature, which removed Mr. Delvalle hours after he had dismissed General Noriega. "We represent the constitutional order." Mr. Solis Palma said, "and this situation is not understood be-

cause of the huge propaganda by the United States. He said at least 60 percent of Panamanians were working Monday as usual despite opposition

claims that the country would be paralyzed by the strike. Banks in Panama City func-tioned normally but several shops in the financial district, an opposition stronghold, were closed. Some businesses, such as car rental com-

panies, provided partial service.

Public transport ran normally and there was no unusual police presence in the streets. The University of Panama suspended classes in a statement ex-

pressing "grave concern for the na-An opposition leader, Roberto Brenes, said it was difficult to rally support for the strike because opposition media had been shut down

We shouldn't hope for too much," he said. "We know that it's not going to topple Noriega."

■ Limited U.S. Sanctions Elaine Sciolino of The New York Times reported from Washington: President Ronald Reagan will ic sanctions against Panama when

he declares Tuesday that it and a number of other countries have failed to take adequate steps to control drug trafficking, according to senior administration officials. Under a 1986 anti-drug law, Mr.

Reagan is required to certify by March I whether countries where major drug trafficking occurs are "fully cooperating" in combating drug trafficking.

Mr. Reagan signed the order over the weekend to "decertify" Panama and several other countries for failing to take adequate steps to control drug trafficking, the officials said Sunday, but will not use his discretionary powers under the law to impose the maximum penalties.

Under the law, the United States must vote against all new loans to decertified countries by international development banks such as the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund and, in the case of Panama, to keep in place economic and military sanctions imposed last year.

dent discretionary power to impose a number of other sanctions. These include the barring of flights be-tween the United States and Panama, the loss of preferential tariff treatment, and a 50 percent tax on all imports from Panama.

in early February.

The decision to decertify Panawas deposed. U.S. officials said. It was not immediately clear why wanted to retain the threat of sanc- crowd. tion to place further pressure on General Noriega.

■ Dole Urges Trade Ban

Senator Bob Dole of Kansas, a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, called Monday for a trade embargo against Pana-ma unless General Noriega agreed to step down within 30 days, Reuters reported from Washington.

"The United State has had enough of Noriega." Mr. Dole, the Senate minority leader, said in a "Nations that didn't open their



But the law also gives the presi- George P. Shultz, right, being greeted Monday in Amman by Foreign Minister Taher al-Masri.

JORDAN: Amman Shifts on PLO

known to have been killed by Israe-Some administration officials li gunfire or beatings to at least 75. aid they hoped to persuade the "Look, these are things that are said they hoped to persuade the "Look, these are things that are White House that Mr. Reagan done in different parts of the world, must impose the full weight of in places where confrontations of sanctions under the law to send a this kind are taking place." Mr. clear signal of disapproval to Gen-Shamir said Monday of calls to eral Noriega, who was indicted by limit news coverage of the Palestinfederal grand juries in Florida on ian protests, now in their 11th drug-trafficking and other charges week. "The question is one of usefulness and feasability.

Soldiers opened fire on stonema was made before Mr. Delvalle throwing protesters in the West was deposed. U.S. officials said.

Bank village of Burin, near Nablus, killing a youth identified as Yasser Mr. Reagan decided not to use all Eid, 18. A journalist on the scene the mechanisms. Some officials said an officer used a rifle with a speculated that the administration telescopic sight to fire into the

A second Palestinian, Ahmad Betawi, 30, died in a Tel Aviv hospital of wounds he received in clashes in Jenin on Thursday.

Israel has come under renewed international criticism for its handling of the riots after television videotape, shot by a CBS crew on Thursday, showed four soldiers methodically beating with rocks and kicking two handcuffed Pales-

statement. "And we must have mouths when we were brought to nothing to do with any phony civil-ian. Notiega-puppet government." the slaughter are now going crazy followed by a meeting in the sight of rioters getting their dent Hafez al-Assad.

punishment," Mr. Shamir said Israeli Sales

Monday.

The four soldiers who were arrested after the CBS tape was shown and their supervising officer were released Monday, pending the results of the army's internal inves-

■ Syrians Disappointed Youssef M. Ibrahim of The New York Times reported Monday from

Syria expressed disappointment with Mr. Shultz's mediation effort, charging that American peace ideas in the Middle East are a "fig leaf" to keep the Palestinians "under Israeli hegemony."

The Syrian foreign minister, Farouk al-Shara, said the first highlevel contacts between Syria and the United States in five years have done little to improve relations between the two countries because U.S. policy remains "tightly at-tached to Israeli policy," he said.

The Syrian official did not go so far as to say Syria rejects Mr. Shultz's plan, and he agreed that his country wants to leave more room for further contacts with the

Mr. Shultz held a two-hour meeting with Mr. al-Shara on Saturday followed by a meeting with Presi-

Unrest Hurts

COPENHAGEN - Den-

To Denmark

mark's biggest grocery chain has decided to stop importing fruit and vegetables from Isra-el because of violence in the occupied territories, a spokeswoman for the importing arm of the company said on Mon-

day.
"We've had problems with deliveries ever since the troubles down there began, and sales of Israeli goods in our stores have dropped 30 per-cent," said Lis Norup, a spokesman for Irma AS groceries. The company is a subsidiary of the nationwide foodstuffs cooperative Brug-

"Danes simply don't want to buy Israeli goods under pre-sent circumstances," Ms. Norup said.

Irma imports 40-million-kroner (\$6.25-million) worth of fruit and vegetables from Israel annually.

KIBBUTZ: Doubts Over Sons

they are placed in." The comment reflected a wider concern about the impact of duty in the occupied territories among

In casting around for an explanation, Mr. Bar seemed to suggest that the nature of the conflict was in part to blame, because it differed so sharply from those of the past. In 1948, he said, the kibbutz had held off Iraqi troops. After the 1967 war, when Israel captured the West Bank, Gaza and other territories, came the war of attrition waged

Israeli soldiers.

across the Jordanian border. "For three years, the children slept in the shelters here," Mr. Bar said, "Saguy was one of them."

Those wars, some Israelis say, were not so confused in style and to withdraw its troops. Mr. Arma-cost reported to the Pakistani leadconduct as the current conflict in the occupied territories. "I don't want my son to do this job," the sergeant's father, Yossi, said. "These are boys who have no spine of policy to back them up." Television, too, has been widely

stance, many say that the soldiers beat the captives only after a fivehour battle during which Sergeant Harpaz's unit was stoned. "A half-minute before" the beatings started, the sergeant's father told an Israeli newspaper, "he got a rock in the head and he blacked

blamed. In the kibbutz, for in-

out. Did they see that in the United States?" The Israeli cameraman who filmed the incident, Moshe Alpert, lives in the next kibbutz north, Afkim. Both places lie just south of the Sea of Galilee.

would be followed by civil war. In that case, it is unlikely that the three million Afghan refugees would leave their 360 camps in Pa-"Nobody justifies the soldiers," said Shimon Weiss, a reporter for the newspaper Davar, "but some say Moshe shouldn't have filmed it. kistan for their own country. They say he's betrayed us by filming it for foreigners and damaging

The cameraman is also reported to have received death threats from rightists. Another soldier from a different kibbutz, who asked not to be named, had a different outlook. 'It had to be shown so that it can be stopped," he said.

An Invasion by Locusts Threatens North Africa

Agence France-Presse

ROME - Northern Africa and the Sahel are threatened with an invasion by migratory locusts that have infested nearly a million hectares (2.47 million acres) in northern Mauritania, UN officials said

Monday.
Officials of the Food and Agriculture Organization said that ur- crackdown. сторs and grazing lands.

Experts Rebut Reagan Claim Of Success' in War on Drugs

WASHINGTON - The war on drugs, President Ronald Reagan has proclaimed, "is an untold American success story," and the use of illegal drugs, according to Mr. Reagan, "has already gone out of style in the United States."

But as the White House Conference for a Drug Free America convened here Monday, critics of the Reagan administration's efforts to fight drug abuse said there was a large element of wishful thinking in Mr. Reagan's pronouncement.

On the two major fronts where the drug war has been waged, cutting supply and reducing demand, experts say they see something less than victory. They see slight signs of progress — at least among the middle class — on the demand side, but virtually none on supply.
"I don't think we've turned the

on t innk we've turned the corner on keeping illegal drugs out of the country," said Lois Haight Herrington, the chairman of the White House conference, "but we've stopped losing the battle for the American mind" the American mind.

Mr. Reagan declared a national crusade against illegal drugs in October 1986. The Anti-Drug Abuse Act that he signed then provided \$1.7 billion in additional funds to improve drug enforcement, treat-ment and education programs. Administration officials have pointed to improvements, including the hir-ing of thousands of new federal agents and increases in arrests and

Pakistan

For Talks

By Henry Kamm

med Zia ul-Haq is developing Paki-

On Saturday, the cabinet met un-

to discuss Afghanistan. Sunday

ssion to set forth their

out of sight but on call. Foreign Minister Abdul Wakil is expected

chael H. Armacost, the U.S. under-

secretary of state for political af-

fairs, it was evident that General Zia had not yet decided whether to

sign the agreement to which the Soviet Union has linked a decision

ers on Secretary of State George P. Shultz's meeting in Moscow last week with Mikhail S. Gorbachev

and Foreign Minister Eduard A.

Mr. Gorbachev announced Feb.

that Moscow would begin the

troop withdrawal, to be spread over 10 months, on May 15, if Pakistan

and Afghanistan reached an accord

by March 15. The issue for Paki-

stan is whether to sign the proposed

accords in the absence of an agreement on the Afghan transition gov-

ernment that would supervise their

government exists, the withdrawal of 115,000 to 120,000 Soviet troops

The four parts of the proposed

greement cover nonintervention

by the signers in each other's coun-

ries, the return of the refugees, the

Islamabad fears that if no such

Critics, however, say that White House attention to the drug issue "Advances in stopping drugs —
"If we didn't have Nancy Reagan we wouldn't have anything,"
"Advances in stopping drugs —
we haven't made any," Mr. Rangel said.

Wimp by Koch NEW YORK - The mur-

Reagan Called

der of a young policeman led Mayor Edward I. Koch to say Monday that President Ronald Reagan was behaving like a "wimp" and demand the cut-off of aid to countries involved in the drug trade. He cited Mexico, Panama, the Bahamas, Haiti, Paraguay and Co-

The policeman, Edward Byrne, 22, was shot Friday as he sat in a police car outside the home of an immigrant who had complained to the police of drug dealing.

Mr. Koch said that the kill-

ing showed Mr. Reagan's war on drugs was a fraud. "The president is not acting as commander in chief," he said. "If anything, he is acting as a

combatting drugs during the Reaadministration, according to the Office of Management and Budget, the \$16.5 billion expended in the effort to cut the supply is said to have had little effect on the current drug of choice, cocaine. said Representative Charles B. Rangel, Democrat of New York, the chairman of the Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control, in a reference to Mrs. Reagan's

personal campaign against narcotics use.

Of the \$21.54 billion spent on Use is up, inventories are him ices are demanded. prices are down, and the cocaine sold on the street has never here purer, according to the National Narcotics Intelligence Consumers Committee Report and other

"There is greater awareness of the drug problem, and that is good," said Senator Dennis De-Concini, Democrat of Arizona, a leader of the effort to keep drugs out of the country, "but the inter-diction program is only beginning to pay off."

Efforts to eradicate cocaine at the source, it is universally agreed, have failed. U.S. agencies, aided by the military, have been unable to eliminate cocaine smuggling on sea or land: State and local law enforcement officials are swamped.

"We're not winning the war on cocaine," said Admiral Paul A Yost the commander of the U.S.

Coast Guard.
On the drug supply side, the problem, according to Admiral Yost, is that not enough resources have been committed to succeed He said that more than half of the coast guard anti-drug fleet is currently sitting idle at the dock and that \$60 million was needed to increase drug patrols. "That money is tied up in the battle over spend ing priorities between the White

House and Congress," he said. Admiral Yost said that eight new planes that the coast guard was to receive under the terms of the 1986 legislation had not arrived.

A joint command, control, conrations and intelligence center being built on coast guard land with Customs Service money will not be ready for another six

Women Abused in Jails **Sets Stance** In India, Study Shows

By Sanjoy Hazarika New York Times Service

NEW DELHI - An official study of women in Indian prisons New York Times Service study of them are beaten, Sexflurry of national consultations, the ually molested or otherwise ha-government of President Moham-rassed in custody.

It said most women prisoners med Zia ul-riad is developing Pasil-stan's negotiating position for the Geneva talks it hopes will lead to the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan. "an extension of the general indifference that Indian society shows

der the chairmanship of Prime ference that Minister Mohammed Khan Junejo to the woma More than 17 percent of all unmorning, the prime minister and Zain Noorani, the minister of state dia are mentally unstable and have for foreign affairs and the head of been placed in jail despite a lack of the negotiating team, briefed the mental health care, according to National Assembly and the Senate the report, which was submitted recently to the government by the men.

"It paints a very grim picture," views on the talks this week in Gesaid Margaret Alva, minister of neva with the Afghan government. What may be the final round of state for human resources in Prime the committee, V.K. Krishna lyer. Minister Rajiv Gandhi's governthe "proximity talks" that began in 1982 is to open Wednesday, As in ment. Ms. Alva, who commis-the past, the United Nations mediations the report, said she had sioned the report, said she had

ator, Diego Cordovez, will confer found that many women prisoners separately with the Pakistani and Afghan delegations. Senior U.S. and Soviet diplomats are to remain Ms. Alva, a prominent spokesvoman for women's rights in India. said the stigma of a jail term some-

women. It was written by an ilmember committee, including seven women. The panel was headed by a former Supreme Court justice." and its members included prominent government officials, lawyers and a journalist.

Often, women preferred to stay in prison even after they were re leased because of social ostracism the report said.

The number of women in Indian iails is small compared to the total prison population -- about 4,000 for which the latest government fig-ures are available. About 44,000 women are arrested every year, compared to more than 2 million

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noted that 15 women in one ca "had no access to any of the amenities - clothing, work education or even medical examination.

"There were no beds, bed sheet or pillows, just a cane mat," he added. "Human rights cannot survive in such jails."

The committee writes of "best to head the Afghan negotiators.

A foreign diplomat said that even after a visit last week by Mi
welcome her back after release.

times ruined a woman's life being and specified tortures like hitting with bamboo sticks, straps, etc."

MARCOS: Exile May Be Ending

ment of the present administration in being able to survive this long when many countries, especially those belonging to the Third World, have floundered and gone under water. For this we must openly and candidly congratulate the Aquino government.

"We are ready to appoint our representatives to negotiate the de-tails and conditions under which my family and I shall return to the Philippines for the salvation of the country from the bloody takeover by Communist insurgents," the statement said.

Senator Neptali Gonzales, a for-mer justice minister, told reporters that Mr. Marcos might be allowed to return if he swears allegiance to the Aquino government and settles claims that he plundered billions of dollars from the treasury.

Mr. Marcos flew into exile in Hawaii following a civilian-backed military revolt that brought Mrs. Aquino to power two years ago.

In his absence, former aides in timetable for troop withdrawal and the military and political supporta guarantee of noninterference to be signed by the United States and the Soviet Union.

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allegations he illegally amassed \$10 billion during his 20-year rule.

Mrs. Aquino's uncle, Mr. Sumulong, said Mr. Marcos's health is failing and he wants to return and make amends to redeen his tarnished reputation.* Mr. Marcos, in a telephone interview urged his followers last Thurs-

day to support the government. Officials said the statement, issued or the second anniversary of his de-parture, indicated that Mr. Marcos is willing to comply with the cond tions set by the Aquino government. (UPI. AP) ■ Rebel Amnesty Expires

Mrs. Aquino's amnesty for Communist and Moslem rebels expired on Monday and a presidential official said there were no plans to extend the offer. The Associated Press reported from Marilla Press reported from Manile.

Kenya Chief Starts 3d Term

NAIROBI - President Daniel arap Moi of Kenya began a third five-year term Monday after being

ARRESTS: Police Stop Tutu and Other Protesters

(Continued from Page 1) government as "the usual bunch of bble rousers."

The arrests came shortly after Archbishop Tutu and Mr. Boesak. addressing a protest service in St. George's Cathedral in central Cape Town, vowed to intensify church opposition to the government even if it meant imprisonment.

more activist role following the on the pavement and sang hymns.

have it." He added that the govern-ment "deserves no obedience and must not get it." In July, the South African Coun-

cil of Churches adopted a contro-versial report recognizing the use of force by liberation movements "as a means to end oppression. Witnesses to the arrests Monday

said that when the first group of church leaders and their supporters lice vehicles. Several reporters and Mr. Boesak said Sunday in a ser- were barred by the police from envice that the church would take a tering Parliament Street, they knell

The second group, led by the Reverend Sydney Luckett director of the Anglican Board of Social Responsibility, later marched to a line of police vehicles parked near the cathedral and demanded to see their leaders. After the protesters sat down

the street, they were sprayed with water cannon and loaded into pophotographers also were detained Before the protest march. Arch-bishop Tutu told several hundred culture Organization said that urgent treatment of 300,000 hectares in Let us no longer pussyfoot in Mauritania was needed before March 15 to head off destruction of crops and grazing lands.

"Let us no longer pussyfoot around this issue," he said. "This is yellow that the could not demonstrate in the vicinity of Parliament, the police forced the protesters into vehicles and an act of protesters into vehicles and took them to a police station.

"We have gathered here as an act of protesters into vehicles and took them to a police station." people in St. George's Cathedral. "We have gathered here as an act of against what the South African government did last week."







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Neither Party Can Shape Its Policy Amid Unresolved Cease-Fire Talks

By Susan F. Rasky

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — The vote that the House of Representatives is scheduled to take Thursday on rival Democratic and Republican plans to aid the Nicaraguan rebels will once again postpone rather than establish a decision on Washmeton's policy toward Managua, members of Congress say.

· According to lawmakers in both parties, four years of debate on the issue has brought Congress no closer to a consensus on either increasing or terminating U.S. support for the contras. What has changed, or at least has promised change, is the decision by five Central American nations, including Nicaragua, to adopt a peace plan proposed last year by President Oscar Arias Sanchez of Costa Rica.

Under that plan, the contras and the Nicaraguan government have been trying to negotiate a cease-fire. The talks, which were suspended last month because the two sides were so far apart, are expect-ed to resume in the next several weeks. Democratic and Republican teaders in the House are billing their aid packages as a form of leverage to ensure that a cease-fire is achieved.

This vote isn't going to win the war in Congress over the contra issue, said Representative David R. Obey, a liberal Democrat from Wisconsin, who beloed draft the Democratic plan. "We are going to be voting on this time and again as long as Ronald Reagan is presi-

The House Republican leader, Robert H. Michel of Illinois, agreed; adding that if there were a way to put the issue directly to the American public, he would. "Nothing is going to happen here until ture and timing of any future vote something significant happens down there, he said referring to the cease-fire negotiations. "Nobody knows how that peace

process is going to go, and it's naive to think that the Sandinistas are going to give us the kind of peace and democratic reforms we want," Mr. Michel said. "Everything is on

Mr. Obey and Mr. Michel said the coming House vote involved Often, women preferred to essentially the same political aritha prison even after the te metic that has characterized previ-

Roughly 200 of the 435 House The number of women in its members, mostly liberal Demo-usis is small compared to terminate but including some Republicans, have never voted in favor of of about 107,000 in 1455 the direct government aid to the confor which the latest government trans and would like to see assisters are available. About a tance out off. About 180 House conten are arrested come members, mostly Republicans and o compared to more than in conservative Democrats, favor some form of military sid. A group-some form of the local side of the side of

asily for a quarter of the result of these divisions is the bidding war now taking place between House Democratic and Republican leaders as they try to tailor the details of their aid plans had killed 172 government troops had no access to any of the to appeal to enough members to and 10 Cubans in a fierce battle last re passage. Both sides unveiled their basic plans last week in antici-pation of a vote last Thursday. But Democratic leaders postponed the vote until this Thursday, saying members were confused about what the two plans contained.

Republicans maintained that the

Democrats, who hold a majority in

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the House, did not have the votes and needed more time to try to get

The Republican and Democratic plans are similar in many respects. Democrats would provide the contras with \$14.6 million for food, clothing and medical supplies over four months. Republicans would give \$22.3 million in what they describe as "non-lethal" aid over the same period.

The Republican plan does not define "non-lethal" aid except to say that the purchase of aircraft would be prohibited. In the past, Reagan administration requests for such aid have encompassed such things as communications equipment, trucks, and helicopters.

Neither plan would permit delivcry of weapons or amminition, a reflection of the House vote last month that narrowly defeated Mr. Reagan's request for a package in-cluding \$3.6 million in such aid. Both new plans include about \$14 million for medical aid to children in Nicaragua who are victims of the

To win support from liberals who want to end CIA involvement with the contras, Democrats would designate the Department of De-fense to deliver the supplies. The Republican plan would continue to place this responsibility with the

The two plans differ mainly over the timing and procedures for a vote later this year on extending aid to the contras if there is no ceasefire. Republicans want to structure the vote to ensure that Mr. Reagan will have an opportunity to offer a package that includes money for weapons and ammunition. Democrats want a more vaguely worded provision that would leave the nature and timing of any future vote

Despite strong pressure from House liberals to cut off funds for the contras for good, Democratic leaders and many of the party's moderates want to leave open the possibility of a second vote. They fear that if the peace process sours, the Democratic Party would be blamed in the November elections for having been deluded by the

Nicaraguan government. As currently drafted, the Republican plan would permit the president to come back to Congress with a military aid request any time after April 15, if he certifies that no cease-fire is in place and that this is



EC ASSURES LATIN AMERICA — Colombia's foreign minister, Colonel Julio Londoño Paredes, speaking Monday to a meeting in Hamburg involving the European Community and Latin American nations seeking to forge a regional peace accord. The EC gave assurances that it supported the accord and would cooperate in an international program to help Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Guatemala, San Salvador and Honduras rebuild their economies. It agreed to provide aid but did not set an amount.

Baseball Star Harvey Kuenn Is Dead

PEORIA, Arizona — Harvey Kuenn, 57, a respected major league baseball player who resired in 1966 with a lifetime batting average of .303 and who managed the Milwankee Brewers to their only World Series appearance, died Sunday. The American League Rookie of the Year in 1953 and league batting champion in 1959, Mr. Knenn had been the Brewers' major-league scouting consultant since 1983.

Funds for China's Poor Diverted by Officials

BEIJING - Officials in several remote, poor regions of China stole 178 million yuan (\$48 million) from public funds allocated as aid for poor and hungry people, the People's Daily reported Monday.

The officials used the money to buy cars, apartments and televisions, the report said. It said the theft was discovered in a national audit of funds allocated in 1985 and 1986 "for the many people in the result of a lack of good faith by China who do not have enough to

UNITA Guerrillas Report A Fierce Battle in Angola

LISBON - Pro-Western Angolan rebels said Monday that they week near the beleaguered south-eastern town of Cuito Cuanavale. A statement issued by the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, or UNITA, in Lisbon said 10 tanks were de-

ernment and Cuban forces ranged along the left bank of the Cuito River," the statement said. It added that five guerrillas were killed and The rebels have besieged the gar-

rison town for more than a month with South African air and artillery support. The Angolan government, backed by more than 30,000 Cuban troops, says South Africans have done most of the fighting and have killed hundreds of civilians in "Our troops destroyed the gov- bombing raids.

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stroved or captured in the five-hour battle on Friday.

In 1982, after becoming manager ing child of Alfred Dumhill, who of the Brewers in June, he led Mil- was founder of the tobacco and waukee to the World Series. The pipe-making company of which she Brewers lost to the St. Louis Cardi-was board chairman from 1961 to nals in seven games. He was fired 1975, Wednesday in London. the next year, after Milwaukee fin-Vincenzo Celli, 87, former prin-

as Harvey's Wallbangers. He played 15 years for Detroit, Cleveland, San Francisco, the Chicago Cubs and Philadelphia. Mr. Knenn was named to the all-star

team in seven of those 15 years. Other deaths:
non's major literary figures, Sundary Dunhill, 81, the last survivaday of pneumonia in East Berrut.

ished fifth. Under Mr. Kuenn, the cipal dancer and choreographer at hard-hitting Brewers were known La Scala Opera House in Milan and the last pupil of the ballet master Enrico Cecchetti, on Sunday in Greenwich, Connecticut. His pu-pils included Alicia Markova, Je-

rome Robbins and Agnes DeMille. Mikhail Naimy, 98, a poet and philosopher who was one of Leba-

Living Abroad

Pitfalls of Language Learning

By Sherry Buchanan So you want to learn a language right teachers.

Business contacts sometimes will praise a school, sometimes condemn it. Accurate assessment is tricky. If students graduate speaking gibberish, it may well be their own fault, not the school's.

Distressingly, there are no man-datory accreditation programs for private language schools in Britain, Belgium, France or West Germany. But there are a few organizations that consumers can refer to, al-

though the type of information available is not consistent. Perhaps the broadest-gauged

programs are in Britain.
"Most of the complaints we get are of a financial nature," said Graham Millington, of the British Council in London, a non-profit organization, which started a voluntary accreditation program of private language schools five years ago after the British government, to cut costs, decided to no longer inspect private schools for students

"Clients have paid a deposit, for instance, then didn't attend the course and want their money back," he said. Or there are complaints about accommodations especially when students stay with

families they don't get along with."
Mr. Millington said that complaints to the council come mainly from parents who have sent their teen-age children on summer resi-dential English-language courses. The council has had no complaints from executives attending English business residential language courses, which tend to be more ex-

pensive than those for teen-agers. But, he added: "Expensive does not necessarily mean good, and cheap doesn't necessarily mean bad."

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about 20 percent must alter their guage schools, but do not have a methods before they win approval. formal inspection system like the

"The problem is that there are a British Council's. The first chore is picking the large number of English-language schools outside the recognized scheme which are not monitored,"

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said Mr. Millington. "It doesn't mean they are all bad. But if the school is recognized, there is a complaint procedure for the client," Council-employed inspectors are qualified language teachers who appear unannounced at schools seeking accreditation. They attend

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classes and evaluate the quality of teaching, examine teaching qualifications of the staff, check the school's finances, the accommodations advertised, and, for teenagers, the degree of supervision. In France, West Germany and

Belgium, there are some consumer organizations, including 50 Millions de Consommateurs in France, Test Achat in Belgium and Aktion Bildung Information in West Germany. They monitor foreign lan-

Gorbachev to Visit Belgrade Agence France-Presse

MOSCOW - The Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev, will make his first official visit to Yugoslavia on March 14-18, and will sign a joint declaration with the Yugoslaain, only 200 are recognized by the british Council. Not all apply for recognition. Of those that do, nounced here Monday.

"We get many complaints because there is no real regulation or control of private language schools," said Werner Kinzinger at Aktion Bildung Information in Stuttgart. He said the West German consumer protection group is planning a new guide to German language schools for foreigners, although initially the guide will be available only in German.

Some government agencies, such as the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in France, and German state governments, publish lists of language schools, without rating them.

"This list doesn't have much value because there is no control of the quality of the schools by the minis-try," said Marc Bailly of the Alliance Française in Paris, which has language schools in 103 nations, It delivers a diploma that is recog-nized by the French government to students who have completed the

Population of 3 Billion Expected in Asia in '88

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia - Asia's population is expected to reach three billion this year. Tatsuo Tanaka, chairman of the Asian Population and Development As-sociation, said Monday.

A goal of lowering annual population growth in Asia to 1 percent by the year 2000 should be adopted, Mr. Tanaka said at a meeting of members of parliament from the

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The Beauty Queen Coach

By Lisa Belkin

New York Times Service

L PASO, Texas — In a brownstone office in the center of this city stand three cardboard women in evening gowns.

The life-sized cut-outs of Laura Martinez-Herring, Christy Fichtner and Michelle Royer in the offices of Guyrex Associates are symbols of a dynasty. Guyrex, owned by Richard Guy, 49 years old, and Rex Holt, 47, is in the business of coaching beauty contestants. For each of the past three years, Miss Texas — a Guyrex girl — has become Miss USA.

But the cardboard pictures gifts from pageant sponsor Procter & Gamble, which displayed them in supermarkets across the United States — are symbols of something else as well. They are reminders of the link between business and the beauty pageant. It is not enough for these women to look pretty. They must also sell products. "My beauty queen is a salesper-

son; that's her talent," Guy said. The Miss USA pageant, to be broadcast from this city on Tuesday night, is a most unabashed example of this link between dimples and dollars. The pageant is a division of Miss Universe Inc., owned orp., which is, in turn, owned by Gulf & Western. It was founded, in 1951, by swimsuit maker Catalina. tures of contestants in its advertis-

two pageants in the same sendent of the Miss America pageant. Why is Guyrex so successful? Sun Bowl parade.

The Miss USA pageant is out to Some say it is the money Guyrex In 1971, they too program, put on the pageant and pay the scholarship."

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pageant is a job interview and the iudges are looking for the person who can do the best job.'

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Honchar, president of Miss Uni- The two men of Guyrex say it is verse Inc. "Ours is a newer approach." Indeed, Miss Universe Inc. reportedly nets more than \$1 million just from the broadcast of the Miss USA pageant, "We do not give scholarships. We give cash," Honchar said. "We are a for-profit

Behind this for-profit operation by the Madison Square Garden are state-level franchises like Guyrex — small businesses whose job is to find the contestants.

Guyrex will be trying to win the after the Miss America pageant re- Miss USA title again this week, this fused to let the company use pic-time with Courtney Gibbs of Fort Worth. "It's like any other business ing. wants to say we're the No.1 beer, "You can't even talk about the we're the No.1 car. Well we're the ageants in the same sen- No.1 beauty pageant organiza-said Leonard Horn, presi- tion," Guy said.

make money. All we want to do is spends on its "girls." Some say it is have enough money to drive the time, which is almost the same thing — the hefty state-level prize package allows the state winner to The Miss America pageant "is quit her job and prepare full-time one approach." said George B. for the national pageant.

their philosophy. "The pageant is a looking for the person who can do the best job. We train the girl so she's ready for the job," Guy said.

"We try to work with the girls, so they don't fall into what John Q. Public thinks of as a beauty queen," said Holt. "We don't want a chirpy voice and a plastic smile." (On the other hand, in defending the use of the word "girls" to de-scribe women in their 20s, Guy said

that "this is not a woman's thing; a woman couldn't put up with this.") Guy and Holi, both former Arthur Murray dance instructors, formed Guyrex 24 years ago, when they were designing parade floats for El Paso's Thanksgiving Day

ca contest, but were dismissed four Spandex cowboy outfits years later over what Holt de-scribed as "creative differences."



ous director - who created a scanlyric beauty and dramatic strength, all at the service of a passionate dal by collecting entry fees and failing to hold a pageant, according

The company has since added

five other pageants to its roster. cially into French - as was discovered when "Katya" fared poorly 20 The two men share a Spanishstyle home and work in two buildings next door that are papered In 1971, they took over the Miss with photos of contestants wearing Texas franchise of the Miss Ameribathing suits, evening gowns and

"The beauty pageant business is scribed as "creative differences."

Guyrex got the job of Texas director for the Miss USA pageant for the first couple of years."

not the way to get rich." said Holt. "You have to expect to lose money for the first couple of years." tles (for the first time in Paris).

International Herald Tribune

ARIS — Even with three the-Paters bidding for the same audience, opera still seems to fill the Paris houses: the Opéra launching its festival of the music of Leos Janacek with an imposing "Katya Kabanova," the Theatre Musical de Paris/Châtelet pursuing its season of German Romanticism with a concert of Weber's "Oberon," and the Théâtre des Champs-Ely-sèes staging Gluck's "Orphée" as a vehicle for Marilyn Home. The Janacek cycle - which will also include a production of his final opera, "From the House of the Dead," several concerts and an exhibition — is a serious effort, both theatrical and didactic, to bring Paris up to scratch in recognizing one of this century's most important composers. If the rest aintains the standard set in this "Katya," this will be a landmark in Parisian musical life. The Czech (more specifically Moravian) composer is a case apart. Unlike his predecessors Smetana and Dvorak he did not look to Germanic, but to Slavic models. The abrupt, consonantal sounds of his native language are not just linked to his music, but are the basis of it, yet he could assemble these germ cells of speech-melody into constructions of startling humanism and feeling for nature. But this means that Janacek is

Imposing 'Katya Kabanova'

Leonie Rysanek, Dimiter Petkov in "Katya Kabanova."

But 60 years after the composer seath and largely due to his works.

Czech is becoming an "operatic" toon, family life and provincial society.

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the business of Kabanicha, the ulti-"Katya Kabanova," based on mate overbearing mother-in-law, Ostrovsky's "The Storm," is a do- and in the powerful portrayal by mestic tragedy of a young woman Leonie Rysanek - one of the most whose romantic yearnings are stifled and whose life is snuffed out
by the oppressiveness of a provincial bourgeois household utterly
dominated by her mother-in-law,
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captures the intensity and concentration of the music. Hans Schavernoch's spare set is evocative of the severe atmosphere. Fields of tall chock at the wings suggest the Volume in the v reeds at the wings suggest the Volga-side location, and a compressed businessman, is no match for Kaplaying area is contained between an undulating floor and a heavy ceiling that descends and rises, making quick scenic changes possible, but, more important, suggesting the crushing weight of tradi-

staging was the sharp profiling of Varvara and Kudrjas (Claire Powcipation, and eventual flight to Moscow, is set in contrast to the

hopeless affair of Katya and Boris. Jiri Kout conducted with under-standing, conviction and attention to detail, and the Opera's orchestra - perhaps in part because it faces an uncertain future in the looming Opèra de la Bastille project — de-livered its considerable best.

cism, it takes a wide umbrella to cover Weber ("Oberon," "Der Freischütz" and "Abu Hassan"), Wagner ("Parsifal") and Richard Strauss ("Arabella"), and it is possible to regret that none of the lesser fugues of this contumulation.

of German Romanic opera and little enough known in France, at though a delightful production of "Oberon" a couple of seasons ago in Lyon lifted the veil a bit. This work, a mixture of fairy tale, English pantomime, Singspiel and chanson de geste, has some of the best known music of any unknown opera, thanks to its overnire and the soprano's great aria, a concert favorite of dramatic sopranos.

The concert performance here with the extensive spoken dialogue edited down to a synopsis for French narrator (Sami Frey), and the cast singing German rather than the English of the original London production - was an eminently worthy one under John Nelson's vigorous direction (with Radio France's Nouvel Orchestre Philharmonique). Françoise Pollet a French soprano who has made her career largely in Germany, was a Rezia undaunted by the terrors of "Ozean, du Ungeheuer." which she delivered with impressive lyricism and strength. David Wilson John-son as Sherasmin had great fun with the roulades in his duet with Fatima (Hanna Schaer), and others in the fine cast were Michael Myers (Huon), Ryland Davies (Oberon and Claudine Hovasse (Puck).

At the Champs-Elysées, Marilyo, Horne sailed majestically through "Orphée et Eurydice." in Berlioz's rewriting (with a hand from the young Saint-Saëns) for the celebrated mezzo soprano Pauline Viardot in 1859. Aside from some first-act uncertainties with intonation, Horne deployed her rich voice with authority and made a fine col-oratura display of the anachronis-tic bravura air that Gluck added to the score for the original Paris pro-

The production, however, was kitsch in action. Gerard Vergez, the director, and Françoise Darne, the designer, had the basic idea of a sacred tree whose split trunk and tentacle-like roots formed the entrance to and decor of the lower depths. Not an unuseful idea, but the hirid colors and static staging undermined everything, and Andrew Degroat's choreography could have been an Isadora Dunvered its considerable best.

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Final-Day Heroics

With Vyacheslav Fetisov, his Soviet counterpart, looking on in mild amusement, Captain Timo Blomqvist simply couldn't contain his delight after Finland defeated the USSR, 2-1, Sunday to win its first-ever Olympic hockey medal. The Soviets had already clinched the gold; Finland took the silver and Sweden the bronze. Hippolyt Kempf, below right, won the Nordic combined to give Switzerland its second gold of the day (it also won the four-man bobsled), while Dutch speedskater Yvonne van Gennip, below left, became the only individual triple gold medalist of the Games by clocking a world-record 7:14.13 in the 5,000 meters. Goaded by East German rivals who had said she could win gold medals only after they retired, van Gennip had already taken the 1,500 and 3,000 events, and a banner in the Olympic Oval summed things up: "Yvonne 3, East Germany 0."



Memorable Olympics' Flame Extinguished

By Michael Janofsky New York Times Service

CALGARY, Alberta - The flame lighted 15 days earlier by a 12-year-old Calgary girl was extinguished Sunday night by a 32-year-old Cargary gri was exanguished similary night by a 32-year-old city engineer who turned off the gas and thus ended the longest Olympic Winter Games ever staged. That simple act also highlighted the 90-minute closing ceremony in McMahon Stadium, where 60,000 spectators with

hand-held torches said thank you and goodbye to the athletes. The ceremony included an ice show with Dorothy Hamill of the United States, Toller Cranston of Canada and other former Olympic champions, and the passing of an Olympic flag from the mayor of Calgary to the mayor of Albertville, France, the site of the 1992 Winter Games.

In most respects, the Games were considered a resounding success, with records and benefits all around. Never had so many countries, 57, nor so many athletes, nearly 1,800, participated in the Winter Olympics.

The organizing committee produced a surplus of more than \$20 million to benefit various Canadian sports programs. The venues have been dedicated to local anthornies to operate for recreational use. A record number of tickets, 1.5 million, were sold, and hundreds of thousands of people attended without charge the medal ceremonies in Olympic Plaza downtown each night.

The competitive landscape was emiched with both new and familiar heroes, including Alberto Tomba of Italy, who won two gold medals in Alpine skiing; Katarina Witt of East Germany, the first female skater to repeat as Olympic champion in more than 50 years; Matti Nykanen of Finland, who won gold medals in the three ski-jumping events be entered, and Yvonne van Gennip of the Netherlands, who won three gold medals in speed skating.

The Soviet Union extended its lead in Winter Games medals, winning 29 for a total of 195 since the first Winter Olympics in 1908. East Germany won the second-highest total here, 25, and moved into fourth place on the all-time list with 110, trailing only the Soviet Union, Norway (168) and the United States (123).

The Soviet team won the most golds, 11, dominating cross-country sking and winning the hockey tournament. Their most successful athlete was Tamara Tikhonova, who

won two golds and a silver in cross-country skiing.

For all those riches, the Calgary Games will also be remembered for oddballs, crazy weather patterns, the disappointing performance by the Americans — even the presi-

SPORTS BRIEFS

Beck Coasts to His First PGA Victory

under-par 267, four shots ahead of Mac O'Grady and Bill Sander.

take home the \$123,800 first prize. Fitzgerald double-faulted on the third

After losing the first set. Mayotte took control of the next three on his services and passing shots. He had nine aces and won five love games.

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To those for whom the Olympic spirit is not necessarily embodied in medals, there was Eddie the Eagle, the nearsighted British ski jumper who finished 58th out of 58 competitors in the 70-meter jump and pronounced it "the greatest day

of my life." The next day, a poster appeared in town, bearing his likeness, with the words, "The Eagle Has Landed." He almost didn't. Never mind his eyesight; Michael (Ed-

For its riches, the Calgary Games will also be remembered for oddballs, crazy weather patterns, the disappointing performance by the Americans and complaints that the Games ran too long.

die) Edwards of Cheltenham, England, is so inexperienced as a jumper that officials of the international ski federation

ousidered grounding him.

Other athletes had equally little experience but no less eart, and, alas, no more success. They included bobsledders from Jamaica, who were unburt when their sled overturned Sunday, a luge racer for the Philippines who finished 35th in a field of 36, and a prince from Monaco whose bobsled finished 25th of 41 in the two-man race.

More than 130 American athletes came here with high expectations. But by the end, they had the fewest medals, six, of any U.S. team since 1936; the fewest gold, two, since 1968.
This time, all the medals came in skating events: golds to
Brian Boitano in the men's figure skating and Bonnie Blair in the 500-meter speed-skating event; a silver to Eric Flaim in the men's 1,500-meter race; bronzes to Debi Thomas in

women's figure skating, Jill Watson and Peter Oppegard in pairs figure skating and to Blair in the 1,000-meter race.

Pam Fletcher seemed to symbolize the plight of the ski team. Shortly before the scheduled start of the women's downhill, she collided with a volunteer and suffered a broken

dent of the International Olympic Committee criticized the skier, ninth in the super giant slalom. Tiger Shaw was the hockey team—and complaints that the Games ran too long. leading man, 12th in the giant slalom.

Fletcher was philosophical about it. "You can't have everything," she said. "If you did, where would you put it?"
Weather was a story from the start. Calgary, which is situated 150 miles (241 kilometers) north of Montana and 60 miles east of the ski sites in the Rockies, is susceptible to sudden changes in temperatures caused by warm, dry winds called chinooks.

Sometimes the winds stayed cold. And they were strong enough at times to delay 12 events, although organizers managed to get everything in by Sunday night's closing

Canada Olympic Park, the site of the ski-jumping, bohsled and luge competition, about 15 minutes from downtown, was most vulnerable to windy conditions. In fact, officials of the IOC are talking about more stringent siting requirements for host cities. Last week, a bobsled race had to be rescheduled because dirt and sand blew onto the refrigerated track. Winds also prevented more than 100 hot-air balloons from

flying over McMahon Stadium during the opening ceremony. The weekend before the Games began, temperatures dipped below zero and stayed there for more than a week. Snow fell several times during the cold snap, once adding 16 inches (41 centimeters) at the mountain venues.

Then the chinooks arrived and continued virtually throughout the second week of competition. By the middle of last week, all but the mountain areas were back to their

For the U.S. team, leading disappointments included Josh Thompson, a silver medal winner in the 1987 biathlon world championships who finished in 27th place here in the 10kilometer competition and 25th in the 20 kilometers; Nick Thometz, a former world-record holder at 500 meters in speed skating who finished 8th at 500 meters and 18th at 1.000: Dan en, a potential medal winner at both of those distances who fell in each event, and Thomas, the national champion, finishing third behind Witt and Elizabeth Manley of Canada.

The U.S. hockey team failed to advance to the medal round for the second consecutive Olympics, prompting Juan Antonio Samaranch, the IOC president, to say, "It is a pity

the Americans are so weak."

According to an IOC official, who asked that his name not be used, Samaranch was upset because he felt the absence of the Americans from the round would hurt television ratings. leg; the race was postponed soon after the accident because of high winds. Edith Thys had the highest finish of any U.S. Samaranch also had a word of advice for those w the Games were too long. "Let them leave," he said. Samaranch also had a word of advice for those who felt

Pistons Feeling Right at Home

PONTIAC, Michigan — K.C. Jones and Chuck Daly, the oppos-ing coaches, played down the im-portance of Sunday's game be-tween the Boston Celtics and

But those two teams will proba-bly meet in the National Basketball Association playoffs, and both coaches are aware of distinct home-

Detroit Pistons.

court advantages.
On Sunday, Daly's Pistons (35-18) won, 106-101, and moved to

the loss column for the best record in the Eastern Conference.

The home team has won the last this season.

15 meetings between Detroit and

• Over the Boston, including last year's con-ference final, which the Celtics won in seven games.

"That's not important to me," said Jones. "It's way down my list of concerns. What's important to me is how we play. That's my prob-

Said Daly: "The playoffs are so

• The Pistons are 22-4 at home

Over the past two years, including playoffs, the Pistons have beaten the Celtics eight straight times at the Silverdome by an average of almost 16 points.

• Detroit has lost on its last 19 trips to Boston Garden; the last time they were there, Jan. 15, they absorbed their worst defeat of the season --- 143-105. The Pistons overcame a 26-point,

first-half performance by Kevin McHale and a fourth-quarter spurt in which Larry Bird scored 12 points during a span of 2:49.

Adrian Dantley, playing spar-ingly in his second game back from an ankle injury that kept him out 10 games, came off the bench to LOS ANGELES (AP) - Chip Beck shot a 3-under-par 68 Sunday to win the Los Angeles Open golf tournament, the first victory of his PGA score 19 for Detroit, nine in the career. Seven times a runnerup but never a winner in his 10 years on the tour, Beck opened a comfortable lead with birdies on the last three holes Dennis Rodman scored six of his

17 points down the stretch, includof the front nine. In command the rest of the way, he finished at 17ing four during a 6-point run that Sander, who had finished no higher than fourth in a tournament since joining the tour in 1978, holed a chip shot from off the green for a birdie on the final hole to finish with a 66. O'Grady closed with a 68.

Beck began the day with at 14-under and holding a three-shot lead over Jay Haas, Ed Fiori and Steve Elkington. Haas finished 71-273; Mike Reid

Thomas had the final 4 points in the fina

another 6-point spurt that gave the Pistons a 106-99 cushion with 1:13 Mayotte Repeats as Pro Indoor Champ to play.
"It was very tough," Rodman

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Tim Mayotte won his second straight U.S. Pro Indoor tournament here Sunday with a 4-6, 6-2, 6-2, 6-3 victory over 16th-seeded John Fitzgerald of Australia.

Mayotte, seeded second in the \$600,000 event, broke Fitzgerald's service three times in the fourth set to win his 15th straight match and said. "It's body-to-body when we play Boston. The intensity on the floor is so high when we play them you can never relax. It's exhila-rating and draining all at once."

Daly felt it too. "We're learning

more and more about how to play them," he said. "I guess you never learn quite enough, though." And, despite his disclaimer, he might have been thinking of the home court edge when he said: "Nobody Los Angeles infielder Steve Sax, on his immediate future: "I could wants to play the seventh game of a play third. I could play second. I could be working the snack bar." (AP) series in Boston." (UPI, AP)



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INTERNATIONAL STOCK MARKETS

Unexpected Rally Breeds Optimism in Frankfurt

By FERDINAND PROTZMAN

International Herald Tribune

RANKFURT — Since early February, the Frankfurt Stock Exchange has been experiencing something that just a few months ago seemed unthinkable: a rally. Hopes are also rising. Market opinion, which a few weeks ago was unanimously negative, is now split on whether the gains are an indication of higher prices to come or just a flicker of brightness in an otherwise gloomy picture.

The return of optimism, however cautious, represents a change from the doomsday mood that followed the global stock collapse of Oct. 19. West German stocks fell an average 37 percent in value in 1987, leaving plenty of room to hope for a better

But some analysts

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After a slow start in 1988, stock prices began to rise, largely on the dollar's recent stability against the Deutsche mark, analysts said. That came against a backdrop of surprisingly strong earnings

reported by some of the na-tion's leading export industries, and a minor reappearance of foreign investors, who abandoned the market during and after

Those positive factors have pushed aside predictions of further declines or lingering stagnation that followed the October downturn. Some leading financial experts are viewing the market in an increasingly positive light.

"I have an optimistic attitude toward the stock market," said Walter Seipp, managing board chairman of Commerzbank AG, West Germany's third-largest commercial bank. "There are data that point toward a trend. For one, I think the dollar's stabilization phase will continue against the yen and the Deutsche mark, and that there will be little turbulence on that front. Secondly, the corporate results for 1987 reported thus far have shown that West German industry's ability to adapt to shifting exchange rates was underestimated.

While some companies have suffered because of the mark's rise and the dollar's decline, Mr. Seipp said most were in good shape because "they used the developments of the past five years well."

R. SEIPP said share prices had the potential to recover by between 10 and 20 percent from today's levels by the end of the year. Other observers are more cautious, pointing to the slow pace of global and West German economic growth and uncertainty about the dollar's current stability.

Foreign investors have been particularly defensive since the market collapse. Their strategy has been either to get out of the German market or switch their mark holdings from stocks to bonds, analysts said.

"Most of the rally we've seen of late has come from domestic investors," said Mark Hawtin, who follows German stocks for Ark Securities in London. Whether domestic investors have a hearty enough appetite for

stocks to sustain a yearlong rally is also open to question.
"Institutional investors here have plenty of cash, as do the corporations," said a broker for a major West German bank. "But they aren't going to move quickly to buy stocks. First they will want solid evidence of what the economy is doing in the wake

The expected increase in domestic consumption has made consumer stocks a nearly unanimous pick among analysts, who

also favor electrical utilities and technology stocks.

Veba AG, one of the largest West German electricity producers. was mentioned by several analysts, who said the low dollar and crude oil prices had kept costs down and lifted profitability. Among technology stocks, the computer maker Nixdorf AG AG were recommended buys.

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Media **General Targeted**

Sugarman Offers \$61.50 a Share

The Associated Pres

BEVERLY HILLS, California Two companies controlled by the entrepreneur Burt Sugarman have proposed taking over Media General Inc., the newspaper and broadcast holding company, for

about \$1.75 billion.

But the family of Media General's chairman, D. Tennant Bryan, which controls a majority of the company's voting stock, rebuffed the offer. "Our resolve is firm," a statement from the Bryans said. "Our interests in Media General are not for sale, for any price."

Mr. Sugarman, the chairman and chief executive of Barris Industries Inc. and Giant Group Ltd., unveiled his merger proposal in a let-ter to Mr. Bryan. He said he controlled 9.8 percent of Media General's 28.2 million shares of class A common stock and offered \$61.50 for each remaining share of the company's class A and class B

That is a premium of more than 30 percent over the current stock price. Media General shares closed

Monday on the American Stock Exchange at \$46.25, up \$2.375. Giant's shares rose \$1.12 to \$23 on the New York Stock Exchange and Barris climbed 25 cents to

\$9.37 in over-the-counter trading. Mr. Sugarman said the price at which Media General stock has been trading "is far below even the most conservative public estimates of its realizable value."

Media General has only 559,168 class B shares outstanding, but those shares carry enough voting power to elect seven of the compas 10 directors. The Bryans own percent of the class B stock.

We are well aware that the Bryan family owns a majority of the class B shares," Mr. Sugarman said in his letter. "That holding, however, represents only 2 percent of Me-dia General's total outstanding equity.

"From a fiduciary viewpoint, it would be unreasonable for you to deny other shareholders the unlocking of hundreds of millions of dollars of investment value that rightfully belongs to them."

In 1987, Media General earned \$42.9 million or \$1.50 a share, up from \$17.1 million or 60 cents a share, in 1986, but the 1986 results included a \$16.8 million writedown for obsolete assets. Revenue was \$715 million, up from \$634 million.

Giant is a cement maker with operations in South Carolina and Pennsylvania Barris is the creator of such successful U.S. television game shows as "The Dating Game," "The Newlywed Game" and "The Gong Show."

The pound immediately fell half a cent but later firmed, ending higher against the dollar.

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Treasury Secretary James A. Baker 3d in his office, preparing for a meeting with the president.

Jim Baker's Task: Keep the Lid On

Treasury Chief Wants No Market Shocks Before Election

By Art Pine and Tom Redburn

Los Angeles Times Sernce.
WASHINGTON — James A. Baker 3d is sitting in his ornate office on the third floor of the Treasury building, contemplating his remaining months on the job. His computer terminal, usually alive with up-to-the-second developments in the fmancial markets, is turned off.

Now his mind is on the November election, and the change of administration in January 1989. The secretary of the Treasury has it all figured

out: If a Republican wins the White House in November, the new president can use his first 100 days to cut a deal with a Democratic-controlled Congress on how to pare the federal deficit. And if a Democrat wins? Whatever happens to

the economy after Jan. 20 won't be on Mr. Baker's His mission now is to make sure that no economic shocks erupt to jolt the prospects for a

a bipartisan budget agreement if a Republican -

Republican victory in November. Associates say it would not hurt to keep the political climate ripe for

particularly Mr. Baker's longtime friend, Vice

President George Bush — were the winner.

That view of his task in the months ahead may tell more about Mr. Baker than any U.S. Treasury debt data. For while this particular Treasury chief has received generally high marks for his performance over the past three years, he is above all a master of the immediate political deal.

"Baker strictly relies on day-to-day tactics de-signed to reach short-term objectives," said Larry Kndlow, chief economist at the Wall Street investment firm of Bear, Stearns & Co. and a former Reagan administration budget official. "Some-times it works and sometimes it backfires."

As some who are less than total admirers of his record have suggested, Mr. Baker's approach to his job sometimes resembles that of many modern corporate executives: focusing on the near-term rather than the long haul.
"Sure, Baker has been a lot more activist on the

surface," a senior European economic official said. "But he doesn't have an underlying policy."

For all that, Mr. Baker is exuding confidence

See BAKER, Page 15

U.K. Monthly Trade Deficit Doubles

The deficit in merchandise trade,

which includes manufactured

Reuters lysts expected the current-account shortfall to be closer to the Decemcurrent-account deficit more than ber deficit of £401 million. doubled in January to a record £905 million (\$1.6 billion) as the merchandise trade shortfall widened to \$1.51 billion, the govern-

ment said Monday." The British Treasury urged fi-nancial markets to treat the figures

1987, the deficit was £597 million.

The deficit was only partly offset cautiously, in part because the data were affected by new customs pro-

Share prices slipped on the London Stock Exchange after the trade figures were issued, but steadied in the afternoon to close slightly high-

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Current account measures a country's trade in goods and services as well as interest, dividends

balance on the pound's relative expensive in foreign markets.

They said the figures also goods, food and oil, widened by 50 showed that a domestic boom in consumer demand had not slowed. percent from a revised £1.01 billion shortfall in December. In January They said this might prompt the government to raise interest rates to cool inflationary pressure.

Some economists say Britain's annual inflation rate might rise to 5 percent by the year's end.

The Treasury, in urging a cautious interpretation of the January figures, noted that exports to other European Community countries dropped by a hefty 18 percent. The EC was the only region covered by new customs procedures.

Mystery Suitor Casts Doubt on Campeau Bid

CINCINNATI — The possibility of a bidding war for Federated Department Stores Inc. arose Monday as the fifth-largest U.S. retailer announced that another party would make an offer to rival Campeau Corp.'s \$6.1 billion takeover

Federated did not identify the new bidder, but said it had been

Federated became a takeover target after struggling for years to restore profitability. Page 15.

advised that the proposal "ap-peared to be competitive" with Campeau's latest offer of \$68 a share. The announcement threw into turmoil what Campeau and analysts had expected would finally be a smooth and friendly takeween the two companies.

over after a month of hostility be-Federated said that its board, meeting Monday to consider Cam-peau's bid, would consider the

competing offer as well. We were unaware of any other bidder," a Campeau spokesman

Earlier a spokeswoman had said that Robert Campeau, Campeau's chairman, expected to be supported by the board, and that negotiations had proceeded smoothly.

A top retailing analyst, Monroe

Greenstein of Bear, Steams & Co., speculated that Campeau's management may have been preparing a leveraged buyout of the company, which they had fought desperately to keep independent after Campeau's first offer of \$47 a share.

"It certainly isn't a restructuring or recapitalization, so it has to be a buyout," Mr. Greenstein said.

Others speculated that the new suitor might be a major department store chain such as Dillard Department Stores Inc., R.H. Macy & Co. or May Department Stores, in concert with a developer, such as Melvin Simon or Alfred Taubman.

The news drove up Federated's strength against other currencies, stock by \$1.875 a share to \$66.375, which makes British goods more on the New York Stock Exchange. Its shares were trading at \$35.875 just before Campeau made its first

Campeau common stock jumped 24 chains.

on the Toronto Stock Exchange,

Friendly talks between the two retail giants started Friday after Campeau agreed to boost its offer to \$68 a share, from \$61, for about 90 million shares on a fully diluted basis. But even as the talks began, Federated warned that there was no guarantee that its directors would agree to the merger.

Before that. Federated had rehuffed Campeau several times, and had directed its advisers to study alternatives to a takeover. Federated management later proposed a restructuring that would have in-volved the sale of all non-department store assets, or more than half its stores, a possible issue of preferred shares and repurchase of more than 50 percent of its com-

Toronto-based Campeau, which in 1986 acquired Allied Stores Corp. for \$3.5 billion, owns Jordan Marsh. Ann Taylor and Stern's, among others. It was attracted by Federated's major holdings, Bloomingdale's and I. Magnin.

So desperately did Mr. Campeau want Federated that he agreed last week to sell Allied's prized Brooks Brothers chain for \$770 million to Britain's Marks & Spencer PLC to pay for the takeover. The Brooks Brothers sale, however, depends upon the success of the deal with

Federated. Separately Monday, Campeau announced the sale of four shopping centers in Quebec province to a Montreal-based consortium for an undisclosed sum. The sale of some Campeau real estate assets was expected, also to help finance the takeover.

Mr. Campeau has said he would merge Federated and Allied into a company that initially would have estimated annual sales of about \$14.7 billion. It would be the largest department store group in America.

Campeau, however, has already said it would sell some Federated units, including Gold Circle dis-count stores and Ralph's supermarkets, to help pay off the \$4.5 billion in debt that the merger would incur. Campeau took similar steps after

taking over Allied, selling 16 of its 24 chains. (AP, UPI, Reuters)

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U.S. Watches Closely as Hyundai **Faces Dumping Charges in Canada**

By John F. Burns

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since the 1930s, and its executives

had little time to worry about a South Korean company with less than 20 years in the business and no experience in selling cars in the competitive North American market. Within two years, Hyundai Auto Canada Inc., operating from Mark-ham, Ontario, had established itself

as the most successful car importer in the country. Its 1985 sales totaled 70,072 cars, or 9.4 percent of the total market. But that success has triggered ac-cusations that Hyundai has been

dumping cars in Canada, or selling them at prices below the cost of bringing them to market. Some analysts say the case could be a dry run for similar charges by Hyundai's competitors in the United States.

Hyundan's runaway success in Canada caused alarm bells to ring at Sources: Margon Guaranty (Dollar, DM, SF, Pound, FF, yen); Lloyds Bank (ECU); Reuters the three American-owned manufacturers that have dominated the Canadian market: General Motors Corp. of Canada Ltd., Ford Motor Co. of Canada Ltd. and Chrysler Canada Ltd.

To compete with Hyundai's Pony and Stellar models, and later with its front-wheel-drive Excel model, the three U.S. manufacturers hurried new small cars into production. U.S. Money Market Fu But Hyundai's prices, starting at Feb. 29

\$4,750 for a bottom-of-the-line Pony, were hard to meet. Hyundar's market share in Canada fell, to 4.8 percent last year, but by then General Motors and Ford had filed a lawsuit contending that Hyundai had engaged in dumping. Two weeks ago, Revenue Canada

government agency, ruled than Hyundai had been guilty of underpricing its cars by an average of 26.3 In the second phase of the hearing, now under way in Ottawa, the

Canadian Import Tribunal is considering a claim by GM and Ford that they experienced "material damage" from the dumping. Its ruling, expected by March 23. will determine whether Hyundai

must pay an anti-dumping duty on its cars equal to margins established in the Revenue Canada decision.

Despite differences in Canadian and U.S. anti-dumping laws, Cana-dian analysts say, a decision against Hyundai could encourage action against the South Korean company in the United States, where it has recorded impressive sales since entering the market in 1986. It also could encourage similar accusations against some of the Jap-

A decision against Hyundai in Canada could encourage proceedings against the South Korean company in the

anese companies who have also made inroads into the American

United States.

market. "In the international game, multinationals look at their beachheads and ask, Where are we getting heat from importers?" said Richard Wagner, an Ottawa lawyer specializing in anti-dumping cases. "And then they say, 'Let's see if we can shut them down there."

While Hyundai's sales in Canada have dropped, to 50,648 cars last year, the company's U.S. sales increased 52 percent to 254,000 cars, from 167,000 in 1986. The company's internal projections are said to envisage a com-

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year of 500,000 cars, rising to 600,000 or 700,000 by 1990.

These figures place Hyundai at the center of growing tensions in the North American auto industry. The sector is facing a major shakeout in the next few years, pressured by rising imports and new, highly automated domestic manufacturing plants. According to some forecasts, excess capacity in North America could be as high as 5 million vehicles by the early 1990s.

"Somebody's going to have to shut something," said Norman Clark the president of the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers' Association of Canada. "And everybody's hop-ing to blazes it won't be them."

As the industry confronts these pressures, Hyundai's Canadian operations will be of keen interest in the United States. American industry has become increasingly watchful because of the surpluses Canada has accumulated under the dutyfree provisions of an automobile trade pact with the United States. In 1987, the Canadian surplus

was more than \$3 billion. U.S. concerns have been heightened by the new Asian car plants under construction in Canada.

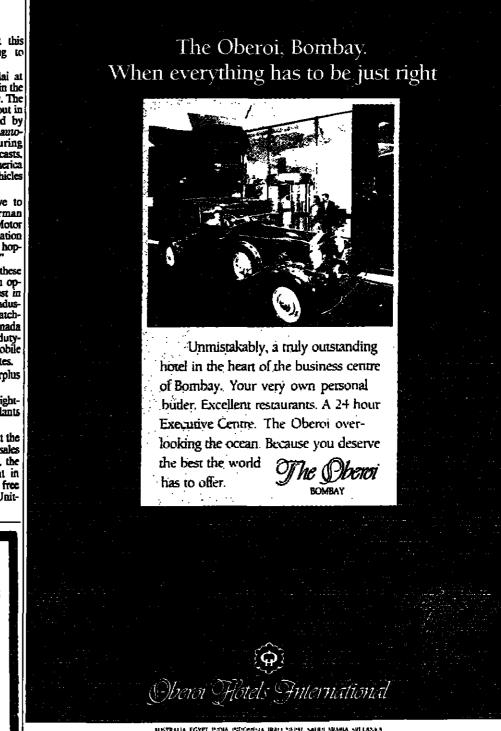
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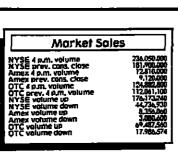
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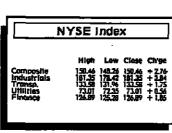
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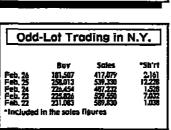
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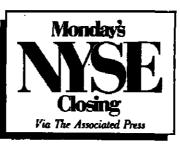
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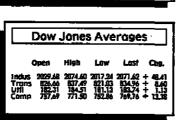


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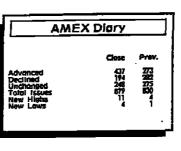






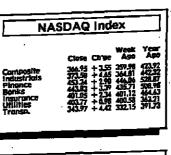


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NYSE Soars, Breaking Barrier

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pays an annual dividend of about 8.1 percent.
Ohio Edison followed, off ¼ to 19¼ with 16.7 million shares changing hands. It yields approximately 10.1 percent. Third and fourth on the actives list were Philadelphia Electric, which pays 11.2 percent, off 1/2 to 18%, and Texas Utilities, paying 9.8 percent, up 1/2 to 29%. AT&T gained 1/2 to 29%. IBM rose 1/2 to 17%.

Federated Department Stores rose 1% to 66%. It said its board was considering a second merger offer, raising the possibility that Campeau's \$68-a-share bid for the fifth-largest U.S. retailer could be detailed. General Electric, which rose 1% to 45% denied turns its GE Credit unit was involved in the new bid. Homestake Mining jumped 3½ to 18. Mesa Limited Partnership said it offered \$20 a share

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NEW YORK — Prices on the New York Stock Exchange closed sharply higher Monday in heavy trading as investors, cheered by signs that the economy remains healthy, took the Dow through a key psychological barrier.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 8.62 last week, jumped 48.41 points to close at 2.071.62.

Last week the closely week the

Last week, the closely watched average had repeatedly stalled as it approached its post-Oct. 19 high of 2,051.89, which was reached Jan. 7. Monday's advance swept the blue-chip index to its highest closing since Oct. 16, the session that preceded the record 508-point drop on Oct. 19. "This market has been building a base, and there's been plenty of cash on the sidelines waiting for a more positive tone," said Alan Ackerman, senior vice president of Gruntal & Co. "We're getting that positive tone now."

ratio.

Volume amounted to 236 million shares, up

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from 158 million Friday. Trading in high-yield117½. ing utility stocks accounted for a large part of

Broad-market indexes also gained. The NYSE composite index rose 2.76 to 150.46. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index jumped 5.36 to 267.82. The price of an average share added 60 cents.

Traders and analysts said a chief factor was a sense that the U.S. economy is advancing at a moderate but steady pace.

"The perception now is that inflation is not a Prices were higher in mod problem," said Rodd Anderson, a vice presi- American Stock Exchange.

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Kohlberg Is Set to Buy Stop & Shop

ment store chain, said Monday it to expire on Monday. had agreed to be acquired by Kohl-

ment firm that specializes in crop leveraged buyouts, has helped a su-shares by 87.5 cents to \$43.50 permarket chain fend off a take-the New York Stock Exchange. over attempt by Dart Group. had agreed to be acquired by Kohl- Dart Group, based in Landover. BRANCE FOR HISE HISE LOW DOT STATE OF \$44 a share.

The Associated Press

BOSTON - Fidelity Invest-

ments, the largest U.S. mutual fund

firm, said Monday it was laying off

about 800 workers, or 10.5 percent

of its work force, because of a

slump in stock transactions and

slower money management busi-

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The layoffs, to take effect imme-

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Boston area, about 150 in Dallas pany said. No investment person-

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Compiled by Suaff From Dispatches Dart responded by saying it was overtures toward Stop & Shop ear-BOSTON — Stop & Shop Cos. extending its \$37-a-share offer inthe U.S. supermarket and depart- til March 9. The bid had been due lawsnits and countersuits. Kohlberg, Kravis, through a & Shop's 27.4 million outstanding

berg, Kravis, Roberts & Co. for newly formed corporation, SSC shares.
\$1.21 billion.

The merger would mark the sectender Friday that will allow the stepped ond time in two years that Kohl store chain to retain its present berg, Kravis, a New York invest-management.

The news boosted Stop & Shop's shares by 87.5 cents to \$43.50 on Stop & Shop operates 114 super-Stop & Shop, which is based in markets in New England and 171

Braintree, Massachusetts, said it Bradlees department stores.

The action reduces Fidelity's na-

6,850, about the same as in mid-

1987. The company had experi-

enced significant growth from the early 1980s onward as the U.S.

Most of the layoffs involved

workers in the corporate staff de-partment and "volume-sensitive"

areas, such as telephone represen-

tionwide staff to approxima

Stop & Shop said the new tender would be subject to receipt of at least two-thirds of its shares and Maryland, began its unfriendly the availability of financing. It said Manufacturers Hanover Corp. had Fidelity Fund to Lay Off 800

committed itself to provide a sig-miciant portion of the financing. Kohlberg, Kravis has expressed a willingness to allow senior managers of Stop & Shop to participate as equity investors in SSC, the store

Dart owns about 738,200 of Stop

In 1986, Kohlberg, Kravis stepped in as a so-called white

knight when Dart targeted Safeway Stores Inc. of Oakland, California.

The firm offered \$69 a share, or

about \$4.2 billion, to counter

Dart's \$64-a-share bid, worth

about \$3.9 billion.

Stop & Shop said its board had agreed to delay the distribution date for its defensive shareholder rights until March 11 and to take other actions to ensure the rights are not triggered in connection with the Kohlberg Kravis accord. The company said the transac-tion would not be subject to the Massachisetts Control Share Acquisitions Act. (UPI, Reuters)

income at the expense of commer-

cial banks over 20 months.

Quadrex Failed To Buy Unit, **B&C Complains**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatche LONDON - British & Commonwealth Holdines PLC said Monday that Quadrex Holdings Inc. had failed to follow through on its agreement to purchase the wholesale broking division of Mercantile House Holdings PLC.

A spokesman for Barclays

de Zoete Wedd Ltd. said that B&C had filed legal action against Quadrex seeking damages for breach of contract on the proposed £280 million (\$496 million) sale. B&C ac-quired Mercantile, a financial services company, last year. B&C shares were trading at

297 pence, off 4 pence. Quadrex agreed in August to purchase the division, which includes Marshall & Co. and William Street Holdings Ltd., "within a reasonable period," B&C said.
"Mr. Klesch did not come

up with the money to close the transaction," a B&C spokes-man said, referring to Gary Klesch, Quadrex's chairman. (Reuters, IHT)

and put it to rest "

Bache or Shearson.

As Traffic Surges, U.S. Airlines Raise Fares Early

New York Times Service NEW YORK - U.S. airlines, buoyed by a low dollar that attracts foreign tourists and prompts Americans to seek advance bookings for their European travel, report a 12 percent increase in traffic for last year and are raising fares this year earlier than usual.

Although industry sources voiced concern that growth might slow considerably this year, traffic in January grew by 4 percent over a year earlier, more than expected. And with demand remaining high, most carriers have increased their deepest-discount fares by \$10 per round trip in the past couple of weeks and other discount fares by lesser amounts.

Many Americans are seeking lower-priced package tours to offset the higher prices in Europe. Many have shrugged off the stock market crash and are not crimping on their vacation and business travel. And Europeans by the thousands are flocking to the United States to take advantage of the greater buying power of their currencies.

"There is no doubt that traffic is growing ahead of expectations," said Candace Browning, airlines analyst for Wertheim Schroder & higher prices that American travelers encounter Co., a financial services company. The underbecause of the fall of the dollar. lying traffic strength is why you saw the fare increases that went into effect."

Air travel normally declines at the beginning of the year, and airlines have usually cut fares for a time to stimulate the market. This year,

they are raising fares earlier than usual to capitalize on the higher demand. Travelers are also beginning to make reservations for the summer, and the carriers want to

lock in the higher fares. Some travel agents said the stock market collapse in October does not appear to have

prompted many changes in travel plans.
"We really haven't noticed any slackening off in business," said Jean Wulfsohn of Trips Away, a travel agency in Tenafly, New Jersey. She said the only business in which sales had tapered was defuxe cruises, which run from \$4,000 to \$10,000 a person. "These people are

been a tremendous change. Travel from the United States to Europe also appears to remain strong, despite the much

Jim Callery, head of world sales at British Airways, one of the largest carriers in the trans-Atlantic market, said many Americans are buying package tours to lock in the price of their accommodations and to offset some of the high costs of hotel rooms.

He said advance bookings in economy class for travel from the United States to Europe were up 11 percent from a year ago.

British Airways and other international airtines have lined up thousands of hotel rooms in Europe to be able to offer low-cost packages and thus offset some of the effects of the weaker dollar. European hotels are also keeping prices down to attract American tourists.

Meanwhile, Europeans have been traveling to the United States in bigger numbers than usual to take advantage of the purchasing power of their currencies.

inclined to take a step down, but there has not Nevertheless, even with these positive trends, analysts do not expect the airline industry to grow as strongly as in 1987.

Moulinex Chief Bequeathes Majority Stake to Managers

Reuters general manager, and Gilbert Tor-PARIS — Officials at Moulinex clli and Michel Vannoorenberghe, SA said Monday that its 87-yearold chairman and founder had bequeathed control of the company to senior management, defusing market uncertainty over how the

appliance maker would provide for to earn up to \$8 million in extra thought best to settle the matter an orderly change of control. Jean Mantelet agreed to transfer Mr. Epstein would not comment. his controlling interest to the com-Nor would officials at Prudential pany's three-member executive committee, company sources said. In May 1985, Hutton pleaded and the committee pledged to regulity to 2,000 felony counts, paid a \$2 million fine and repaid its banks around the countries of the control about \$5 million fine and repaid its banks.

around the country for defranding about 65 percent of the company. Uncertainty over how Mr. Man-The plea triggered a series of investigations of Hutton and its prompted speculation that Mountaines by the Securities and Expractices by the Securities and Exchange Commission, Congress and said. The rumors have caused the nearly every state in which Hutton

company's share price to zigzag in Hutton's plea of guilty to the Mr. Mantelet, who has no direct

who are senior executives.

Mr. Mantelet founded Moulinex in 1932 to market a simple vegetable grinder. In recent years, the company has branched out into hitech domestic robots, microwave ovens, irons and mixers.

Monlinex has posted losses for three years but says it expects a profit for 1988. The company undertook an ambitious recovery program last year under the direction of Mr. Darneau, a U.S.-trained executive who joined the company in 1968.

Moulinex reported a 70 million franc loss in the first half of 1987, but a profit of nearly 30 million francs in the second half. Revenue last year amounted to 3.4 billion francs, up marginally from 3.37 bil-

The company's shares traded

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Plessey, GEC Agree to Form

LONDON - General Electric Co. and Plessey PLC, two of Britain's biggest electronics companies, said Monday they had agreed to form a new telecommunications group, to be called GEC Plessey Telecom-

Britain's Department of Trade and Industry approved the proposal in January. If Plessey shareholders approve the move at a special meeting March 25, the venture will be-

ply a range of products to gov-

group would be structured a point that is a source of dispute, since overlapping pro-duction could mean job losses. Plessey's chairman, Sir John Clark, will head the group.

year it agreed to limit its stake in the company to 15 percent.

Ball Accepts NYSE Censure in Hutton Case

By James Sterngold

New York Times Service NEW YORK — George L. Ball, the chairman of Prudential Bache
Securities Inc., has agreed to be
censured by the New York Stock
Exchange for a supervisory failure

The chairman of Prudential Bache
But the exchange also found that
he had failed to supervise and control officials in the firm despite
indications of irregularities in Hitduring an check-overdrafting ton's cash management practices, scheme when he was president of E.F. Hutton & Co., according to Wall Street professionals with knowledge of the settlement.

A censure would not limit Mr.
Ball's ability to function as the
head of Prudential-Bache, securities lawyers said. But it would make him the only current chairman of a major firm to have been censured, according to securities experts.

The action would be the first against Mr. Ball in connection with the illegal overdrafting, which took when he was in charge of that busi-

Thomas Lynch, who acted as ment, the sources said.

The exchange found that Mr. worth 686 million dollars.

vould not confirm the terms of Mr. Ball's censure. But he said that because the exchange had found that check overdrafting charges began a successors, willed his 250 million Monday near their Friday closing Mr. Ball was not directly culpable process that nearly destroyed the franc (\$43.7 million) shareholding level of 58 francs, down from a high once powerful brokerage firm. to Roland Darneau, the company's so far this this year of 65 francs.

A Prudential-Bache spokesman

Mr. Ball left Hutton for Pruden-

tial-Bache in 1982, after a federal

investigation of the overdrafting

place throughout Hutton's retail branch network in the early 1980s. Holmes à Court Seeks to Merge Bell Groups 2.25 dollars a share, well up from PERTH, Australia - The Aus- Monday's stock market price of

senior Hutton executive and is now with huge write-offs of stock mara consultant, has resisted a settleket losses.

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Soon after the crash, Mr. Holmes 2.1 billion dollars on Monday from. nent, the sources said.

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BHP, Australia's largest company.

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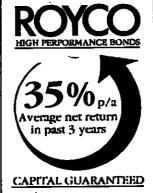
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Hutton's chief financial officer at tralian financier Robert Holmes à 1.45 dollars, but still far below its 900 million dollars from their the time and has since retired, will court inveiled a plan Monday to high last year of 11.30 dollars, be books. The two companies, and a also be censured, the sources said. merge his two major companies afforce the October market collapse.

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Federated Shines Only as a Target

By Isadore Barmash New York Times Service

NEW YORK - When Howard in 1981, he vowed to improve the profitability of a company that had long been one of the most respected American retailers. But Mr. Gold-feder's failure thus far to accomplish that goal, according to analysts, was a major reason why he has found himself trying to fight off a succession of takeover bids.

Of new managements.

Ventures into discount retailing ——including Federated's Gold Circle, Gold Triangle and Richard ——including Federated's Gold Circle, Gold Trian

a succession of takeover bids.

Campeau Corp. of Toronto was derated's stock price. Indeed the not the first enterprise to notice how low Federated's stock had shares had been trading since Oct.
sunk relative to its cash flow. Nor 19, when they plunged along with
was it the last, judging from an the market, made it an attractive was it the last, judging from an announcement Monday that an-other company has joined the list of

last year to buy out the holding of director of research for C.J. Faw-rence Inc. But "it obviously has quired a block of Federated's stock. Inst two weeks ago, Donald J. Trump, a New York developer, disclosed that he was interested in acquiring as much as 15 percent of Federated.

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closed that he was interested in acquiring as much as 15 percent of Federated.

For three decades after World Securities Inc. of Los Angeles. With a gross area of 63 million square great tests and Abraham & Straus in the New York area, Filene's in New England and I. Magnin and Bullock's in California made it the envy of its industry.

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Federated may be a victim of its sheer size, suggested Thomas Tash in the past decade in undermanaged business; it needs more expense control and more centralization," said William, an analyst at Seidler Andlec Securities Inc. of Los Angeles. With a gross area of 63 million square gree its. Barney. Federated's 22 divisions go their own way too much," he added.

But Mr. Goldfeder is given credit for a number of evolving strategies that may yet bear fruit. His "efforts to improve leverage by consolidating divisions, cutting wasted space and improving the assortment of private-label merchandise may soon begin to pay off," said Mr. Raiff of C.J. Lawrence.

some of its luster. The profits of such key divisions as A&S, Magain and Houston-based Foley's contin-

These factors have depressed Felow level at which the company's takeover target.

"Federated has some of the best

retail franchises in the busine said Robert M. Raiff, mana



Is Targeted By Pickens

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatcher
AMARILLO, Texas — T. Boone
Pickens's Mesa Limited Partnership offered Monday to acquire all
outstanding shares of Homestake
Mining Co. of San Francisco for

energy company, one of the top five mining companies in the United States, rose sharply on the announcement. Its shares closed at \$18 on the New York Stock Ex-change, up \$3.50. Mesa gained 12 cents to close at \$12.75.

3.14 million additional shares. stake in the mining company will rise to 3.8 percent.

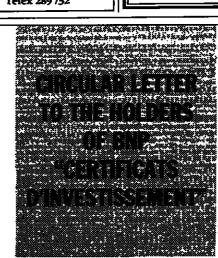
Analysts said a "poison pill" measure approved by Homestake's board in October showed that the its independence.

ers can buy Homestake stock at half the market price if a raider acquires more than 20 percent of the company.

The formation of the holding dends," of perhaps \$10 to \$15. Homestake would not have

> Vahid Fathi, an analyst with Prescott, Ball and Turbin, said he valued Homestake at \$26 to \$27 a

Banque Nationale de Paris LE PRÉSIDENT



19 February 1988

Dear Investor. While we have not yet closed our books and established the final form of our financial statements for the year ending 31st December 1987, I would like to provide you with some information on the BNP Group's results for 1987 as well as the performance of

our non voting shares ("Certificats d'Investissement"). As far as the volume of activity is concerned, 1987 will prove to have been a successful year with customer deposits up by 6.1% and loans up by 10.1 %, including a 26.4 %

increase in private customer loans. BNP retained its position as number one among French banks in bond market activities, the distribution of shares of newly privatised companies, commercial paper, investment fund management, floatations of new shares on the Paris Bourse "Sec-

ond Marché", export credits and sales of insurance products. The BNP Group's gross operating income, excluding extraordinary capital gains, was practically unchanged from last year, despite sharper competition in banking transactions resulting in lower margins and commissions and steeply rising expenditure on the computerization of operations and the development of electronic funds transfer. After allowing for smaller extraordinary capital gains than in 1986, gross income was down slightly, by about 6 %.

We have further decided to provision fully against losses sustained by our securities portfolio in the stock market crisis and to increase the rate of our provisions for sovereign risks to approximately 50 % - the highest for any French bank.

This policy of sound and prudent management, which places BNP in a particularly strong position among the world's leading banks, may result in a slightly lower consolidated net income after a record 50 % rise in 1986.

While retaining a sufficient percentage of our income to fund the Group's investment programme, we expect to pay the same dividend to the holders of our Certificats d'investissement as last year, despite a 10 % increase in their number in 1987, following a bonus issue.

Based on current stock market prices, this dividend offers holders a yield of about 8 %, at a time when the Certificat d'Investissement stands at only half of its book value. Its current capitalization thus represents only four times the estimated 1987 income. These three factors, namely capitalization, net income and yield, merit the attention of investors.

I should like to thank you for the confidence you have shown in our Group.

Telecom Group

gin April 1.

The new group would sup-

ers worldwide. It would have revenue of nearly £1.2 billion (\$2.1 billion) and net assets of £428 million, Plessey said. A Plessey statement said nothing about how the new

GEC, which is not related to General Electric Co. of the United States, was blocked from making a full bid for Plessey in 1986 by Britain's monopolies commission. Last

Profit Slipped in '80s as Retailer Fumbled With Assets

Goldfeder became chairman of ued to slip despite the installation federated Department Stores Inc.

GENERALE: Leysen's Stake Goes to de Benedetti (Continued from Page 1)

with the stockbrokerage Phillips & shares to an unnamed international Drew in London agreed.

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now has names and clout in Bellinow has names and cloud in Bellinow has names and cat "market conditions." gium that he didn't have before."

She said that the agreement could on Friday, Générale stock did the share prices of both Cobepa and Gevaert source 12.6 percent Spez-led group.

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Van Campenhönt, a Brussels stock- support of the two Belgians. in exchange for its stake, Ge-Virginia Tattersall, an analyst vaert sold its 600,000 Generale

institution described as supportive was made at "market conditions."

mental Generale shares and the undisclosed price at a later date, support of the two Belgians. Mr. Scohier said.

company was seen as an escalation of the rivalry between France's two much trouble raising the necessary major investment banking groups, Suez and Paribas, because Cobepa is 60 percent-owned by Paribas. Following the announcement,

of the total. Mr. de Benedetti will On Monday, Generale shares tell after several Belgian members in the group, particularly Cobepa, party and serve as president, while Benedett's recently doubled sender, withdrew their backing.

Mr. Scohier, in a phone interpretation of the total.

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Homestake

\$20 each, or about \$1.88 billion.
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Homestake said it would study the offer. Analysts said the company could respond with a recapital-

son of Fred Lazarus Jr., who founded Federated in 1929.

Mr. Goldfeder, 61, receives mixed reviews today. "Federated is considered an undermanaged base" ization plan that would pay shareholders up to \$1.4 billion. They said the offer for Homestake, whose long-term debt and liabilities are only about \$60 million, was well timed because of the recent drop in gold prices.

Homestake and has a 45 percent interest in a partnership that holds When it purchases the shares from that partnership, its direct

company would not easily give up Under that measure, sharehold-

The company is totally unlever-aged and probably could stand a more aggressive management," one analyst said. They can leverage themselves and pay out big divi-

Advest group. "They can convert assets to cash rather quickly."

Last year, Mr. Pickens failed in an effort to acquire Newmont Mining Corp. of New York, the largest U.S. gold mining company. Homestake owns two U.S. gold

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Mexican Minimum Wage To Rise Just 3% in March

The Associated Press

MEXICO CITY — Mexico plans to raise the minimum daily wage by just 3 percent in March and freeze prices of goods and services produced or controlled by the government in the latest step of its anti-inflation program.

The government also plans to hold the peso's value against the dollar at Monday's level for all of March. The government had been paring the currency's value by 3 pesos per trading day.

President Miguel de la Madrid said Sunday that the government decided on those steps after the latest figures showed "an important de-acceleration" of inflation in February, to about half the record 15.5 percent rate posted in

about half the record 15.5 percent rate posted in Beginning Tuesday, the minimum wage will rise from 7,765 pesos a day to just under 8,000 pesos, or about \$3.50 at current exchange rates.

Under a wage pact, workers received a 15 percent increase in December and a 20 percent

percent increase in December and a 20 percent raise in January.

The small March increase dealt a setback to unions, which had called for a gain of at least 10 percent to help workers keep pace with the sharp rise in prices in recent months. Last year, inflation climbed a record 159.2 percent, up sharply from the 105.7 percent of 1986.

Private companies will be urged to absorb the increase in the minimum wage and not pass it along to consumers in the form of higher prices.

Mr. de la Madrid unveiled his anti-inflation program in mid-December to help prevent the nation from spinning into hyper-inflation.

U.S. Experts Now See Recession as Less Likely

United Press International
WASHINGTON — The likelihood of a U.S. recession appears to have diminished signifi-cantly since November, according to a survey of 4,000 corporate, consulting and government economists

Only one-quarter of the economists surveyed now say they expect a recession by the end of the year, down from about one-half of those surveyed last November, said Kathleen B. Coo-per, a past president of the National Associa-tion of Business Economists.

However, the business group still expects modest economic growth this year, with the first half of the year especially sluggish, said Ms. Cooper, who is senior vice president of Security Pacific National Bank in Los Angeles.

The economists said the stock market col-

lapse of October would continue to have an impact on the economy.

"Economists see the largest effect on consumer spending for durable goods," said Ms. Cooper. "For example, they now forecast auto sales of 9.8 million units this year, compared with last summer's projection of 10.5 million

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Whirlpool to Buy Roper

The Associated Press

BENTON HARBOR, Michigan — Whirlpool Corp. said Monday that it had reached an agreement to buy Roper Corp., an Augusta, Georgia-based manufacturer of appliances and lawn equipment, for \$350 million.

Whirlpool, one of the leading U.S. appliance makers with \$4.2 billion in sales last year, said it

makers with \$4.2 billion in sales last year, said it would pay \$37.50 a share for Roper's outstanding stock. Roper's share price jumped \$10.625 to \$35.75 by midday after a delayed opening. Roper employs about 4,750 people in Georgia, Illinois, South Carolina, Tennessee and Ontario. It had sales of \$703 million in the fiscal year ended last July 31.

Circle K to Buy 7-Elevens The Associated Press

DALLAS - Southland Corp., the world's largest convenience store operator, said Mon-day it would sell 473 of its 7-Eleven stores to a nay it would sell 4/3 of its /-Eeven stores to a rival, Circle K Corp. chain, for more than \$147 million. The sale is part of the founding Thompson family's plan to finance its \$4.9 billion leveraged buyout of Southland.

The purchase price includes real estate and other assets, a Southland spokeswoman said. She said that Circle K, based in Phoenix, Arizona arranged age; and discount for the said age; and discount for the said age; and state and spokeswoman said.

na, would pay an additional amount for store inventories. Included in the sale are all of Southland's convenience stores in Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana and South Caro-120 -210 -160 -135 -340 -340 COPPER (COMEX)

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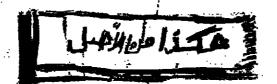
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URRENCY MARKETS

Dollar Mixed in Uninspired Trading

NEW YORK — The dollar sed mixed Monday in lackluster ding in New York, with dealers ping for news that could pump sh life into the market.

"It's an uninspired market," said troll Callanan of Credit Lyon-

The dollar moved in a narrow ding band of about half a Deutie mark. Dealers said that in the sence of any unexpected develments, trading is likely to remain agaid until the release March 17 IIS, trade data for January.

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The dollar closed in New York at 375 DM, down from 1.6895 at iday's close, and at 128.25 yen, wn from 128.35.

The dollar closed at 1.3910 Swiss incs, up fractionally from 1.3900 Priday. But it fell to 5.7145 ench francs, against 5.7205 on iday.

The British pound initially opped sharply against the dollar the news of a record British ficit on current account of £905 lion (\$1.6 billion) in January. But it stabilized as markets took British Treasury's view that the de figures were an aberration. e pound closed at \$1.7735, up

m \$1.7715 on Friday.

London Dollar Rates 1,6870 1,7730 128,20

indicators, due out Tuesday, may provide a temporary impetus for the dollar.

Most economists have been estimating that the index will show a 0.4 percent decline, its fourth fall in a row. Three consecutive declines usually portend a recession, according to market convention.

The dollar was also mixed in London, where it fluctuated within a narrow range. The market is basically bearish for the dollar," said a trader in Frankfurt, "but technical resis-

tance prevents any major turn-It closed at 1.6880 DM, up from 1.6870 DM at Friday's close, and at 128.30 yen, up from 128.20. It also closed at 1.3920 Swiss francs, up from 1.3885, and at 5.7185 French

francs, up from 5.7125. fixed in Frankfurt at 1.6884 DM, a troy ounce to \$475.

down from 1.6895 on Friday, and in Paris at 5:7160 French francs,

In Zurich, the dollar closed at 1.3905 Swiss francs, up from 1.3890 (Reuters, AP)

on Friday. ■ Gold Falls, Rebounds

Gold tumbled Monday in Enrope but rebounded in New York on a rally in platimm that traders ascribed to fear of intrest in South Africa, a leading producer, The Associated Press reported.

European traders had sold gold aggressively amid underlying fears that it was becoming a less attractive investment because of evidence of easing inflation. In London, gold fell \$6.50 a troy ounce from Friday levels, to \$425.

But later in New York, Republic National Bank quoted gold at \$430.50 an ounce, up from \$429.50 on Friday. On the New York Commodity Exchange, gold bullion for current delivery was quoted at \$430.50 an ounce, up 90 cents.
"The one word to explain it was platinum," said John Norris, an an-

alyst at Citibank. "We saw a sharp rally in plannum, based on contin ued unrest in South Africa. On the New York Mercantile Earlier in Europe, the dollar was Exchange, platinum surged \$25.30

No Realignment Needed in EMS

Balladur Says

PARIS - Finance Minister Edouard Balladur of France said Monday that currency parities within the European Monetary System are sound, corresponding to economic realities, and that a realignment is not necessary.

"Such an operation would be contrary to the interests of the nation, against the strategy of disinflation that we're fol-lowing, and would not be justified," he said in an interview with the newspaper Le

Monde.

In the EMS, eight European currencies float against each other within specific ranges. Mr. Balladur said any cuts

in French interest rates would be determined by the strength of the franc.

He said that "the more the franc stays strong, the more one can cut interest rates. But money market dealers aren't yet convinced of the reality of disinflation."

finister Says Japan Must Adapt to Long-Term Rise in Yen

pected in the years ahead, Ecomic Planning Minister Erichi

ikao said Monday. "Looking at the picture five ars from now, I feel that the ten- changes in currency rates, Mr. Nancy will be for the yen to become kao said, Japan must strive for a onger and the dollar weaker," he more open economy to garner id in an interview. "So I see the ed for Japan to boost its econom-

strength to cope with that." While emphasizing that Japan mis stable exchange rates, Mr. push the dollar lower.

"We want the yen to become in deficits will have a great im-

Reviers the record U.S. trade deficit by here than abroad and that the price of the strong yen and falling oil TOKYO — Japan must making American exports more of beef is still high." prices despite rapid growth in the engthen its economy to cope competitive while pushing up the th the continuing rise in the yen

porters to raise prices and lose sales m the lucrative U.S. market. To cope with the expected

greater benefits from the strength of the ven.

We would rather emphasize the merits of the strong yen, than the demerits," he said. "The strong yen altao said that the huge U.S. trade has helped reduce the cost of imported raw materials, which has ported raw materials, which has benefited some companies.

"About 70 percent of the merits able," Mr. Nakao said "But if we of the strong yen have now been we things as they are, the U.S. reflected in the Japanese economy," he added. "But some people complain that airplane tickets, for A lower dollar could help narrow example, are still more expensive

solved gradually through deregula-It also could force Japanese ex- tion and other measures, he said. Mr. Nakao said that the Jananese economy was performing well, with a low unemployment rate, stable prices and inflation under con-

> "But the outlook for the Japanese economy is uncertain this autumn and thereafter," he said. Mr. Nakao would not say whether Japan would adopt a supplemen-tary budget to help bolster the world economy if the United States

slips into recession. Also Monday, a senior Bank of Japan official said he did not expect any change in the central

bank's monetary policy for at least six months. He said no change was likely

prices despite rapid growth in the money supply.

Many dealers have speculated that the bank might tighten monetary policy this summer to combat sible rise in inflation resulting from swift growth in the money supply and the Japanese economy.

The official said the central bank would keep especially close watch on the course of U.S. monetary policy, as that could prove to be a factor in prompting the Bank of Japan to alter its stance.

He said he did not expect the U.S. Federal Reserve to lower interest rates in the near future.

If U.S. rates were lowered, he said, the dollar would fall and fears of inflation would resurface in the trade agreement with Canada. United States, heightening the possibility of another steep fall in New

4th Drop Is Seen for Key U.S. Index, but Outlook Is Unclear

NEW YORK - Another monthly decline in of 0.1 percent to 0.8 percent. U.S. leading indicators is expected to be reported Tuesday, but analysts are uncertain whether it would mean that an economic downturn is

The index of leading indicators fell in October, November and December, and figures to be released Tuesday are expected to show a decline for January. In the past, this would have been viewed by many analysts as a sign that the U.S. economy was headed for a recession.

But economists said this interpretation was no longer valid. They also predicted the index for December would be revised to a positive reading, following an unexpectedly high 0.8 percent rise in business inventories.

The index fell 0.1 percent in October, 1.2 percent in November and 0.2 percent in December. Economists forecast a January decline

An increase in initial employment claims and a steep drop in building permits will be the main factors lowering the January index, economists said, along with lower orders for con-

sumer goods, a drop in sensitive materials prices, and weak vendor performance. They said that growth in M-2, one of the broader money supply measures, along with increases in stock prices and the average work

Overall, the trend does point to sluggish growth in the first half of 1988, economists said.

week would contribute positively to the index

Beth Reiners of Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. noted that "another down number on the leading indicators would be the fourth one in a row and would not bode well for the U.S. economy.

His criticism of West Germany

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rates to inch higher and helped

most pressing U.S. economic policy

If December is revised up, however, then we get

the same old seesaw in the series." Some analysts said the index accurately re-

flects the overall economic trend, even if it does not reliably foretell specific levels of growth. "The way I look at the leading indicators is not to look to see if we have three consecutive

monthly declines to say that shows a recession." said Robert Brusca of Nikko Securities International & Co. "I think that's stupid."

Instead, he said he looks at the index's average over the previous six months. "It's not the umber of declines but the depth of the decline that has a good correlation with GNP," he said.

Since 1970, each recession was preceded by a six-month decline of more than 5 percent in the index, with a lead time of three months, he said. But even with the December downturn, the average change in the index over the past six months was zero, Mr. Brusca said.

BAKER: As Election Looms, Treasury Chief Wants No Economic Shocks

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that Mr. Baker has shown too little been unfairly judged by the finan-cial community," asserted Alan Stoga, an international economics lieve," he said in an interview, "that kets. the U.S. is making the adjustment to an export-driven expansion with for refusing to stimulate its econo-

minimum degree of dislocation." my, for instance, was one of several The job of keeping the lid on will factors that unsettled investors

not be easy.

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Oct. 19 stock market collapse. A are quiet enough these days to let few months earlier, a similar slip Mr. Baker give his computer screen seat the dollar falling so rapidly a rest, there is still a risk of a stock that the Federal Reserve and other plunge echoing that of Oct. 19. The central banks had to intervene to U.S. trade deficit is narrowing, but rescue it. the progress until recently has been painfully slow. And Congress with hindsight, now criticize Mr. threatens to approve a protection-ist trade bill that could wreak hav-oc on the dollar and with U.S. trad-ruary 1987 and the October stock

ing partners.
Still, Mr. Baker has pulled off even more spectacular feats in the which Mr. Baker reached in Paris a past. When he shifted from the post year ago with officials from other of White House chief of staff to Treasury secretary in early 1985, succeeding Donald T. Regan and four years of laissez-faire economic policies, he quickly dazzled the ad-

ministration's critics. In his first year alone he proposed a sweeping tax-revision bill, an international effort to cut the U.S. trade deficit by devaluing the the budget problem," said Henry dollar and a plan for alleviating the Nan, a former National Security

Third World debt crisis. He has also been at the center of an economist at George Washinga more aggressive U.S. trade policy, efforts to coordinate the major industrialized nations' economic pol- to pass it on to his successor. His icies and, most recently, a free-

legacy has been to preserve the problem." But for all the polished maneu-Mr. Baker disputes all of these vers, there have been some mis-steps. Wall Street has complained The Treasury secretary "has

specialist for Kissinger Associates, a New York consulting firm. The administration's failure to tackle the budget deficit "is a political

president's door rather than the secretary's," Mr. Stoga said.
As for the other problems, he said, Mr. Baker at least proposed solutions. "Implementing them."

issue that should be laid at the

he conceded, "was another thing." Mr. Baker, 57, is one of four pragmatic Republican traditional-Some market analysts, speaking sts who are primarily responsible for running the government during Mr. Reagan's final year in office. collapse. They argue that the Lou- The others, who like Mr. Baker served in the administration of vre accord on currency stability, President Gerald R. Ford, are Secyear ago with officials from other leading industrialized democracies, retary of State George P. Shultz, Secretary of Defense Frank C. Car-

bring on the collapse.

Many fault him as well for his failure to tackle more seriously the Their emergence is an irony: All four were lambasted by Reaganites in the early 1980s as insufficiently conservative to serve the president

Incci and Alan Greenspan, the Fed

problem: the federal budget deficit. "Reagan's first term delivered Mr. Baker steered clear from politics until he was 40. He enjoyed his life as a Texas establishment Council staff member who is now lawyer until Mr. Bush, a friend and tennis partner, persuaded him to ton University. "Baker has simply leave the Democratic Party and carried it for four years and is going help Mr. Bush in his unsuccessful 1970 race for the Senate.

To a few close friends, mainly from the Ford administration or his boyhood days in Texas, "Jim-- an incessant teaser and occasional prankster who comes as close to being a good ole boy as an \$800 suit will allow.

But the Jim Baker that most of Washington knows is both cautious and flexible, a highly skilled insider with a talent for sizing up a prob-

lem and negotiating a politically

Mr. Baker's twists and turns remain basically consistent with the conservative, market-oriented economic approach that Mr. Reagan brought to Washington, Richard G. Darman, who served as his deputy secretary during his first two years at the Treasury, concedes that Mr. Baker has sought to achieve mostly "incremental"

changes from previous policy. "He is more of a mediator, con sensus builder," Mr. Darman said.

"Problem-solving is his forte."

As a skilled Washington operative, Mr. Baker has made a point of consolidating power. Shortly after switching jobs with Mr. Regan, he folded economic decision-making authority into a new, cabinet-level Economic Policy Council, thereby eliminating rival policy groups within the administration

In December, when the chief White House economist, Beryl W. Sprinkel, publicly questioned the currency stabilization pact worked out by Mr. Baker and other finance ministers, the secretary quickly muzzled Mr. Sprinkel, Now, when asked about the administration's currency-intervention actions. Mr. Sprinkel replies that he will voice his opinions only after he leaves the

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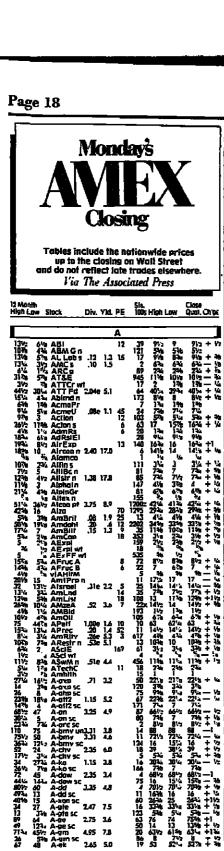
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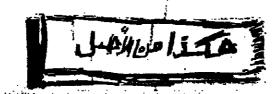
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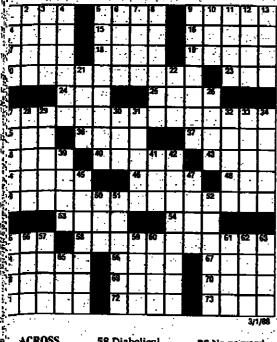
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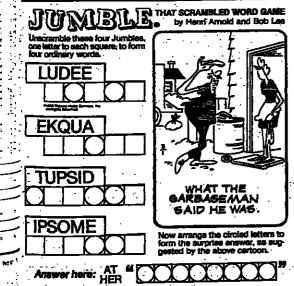
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A FRIEND FROM ENGLAND

By Anita Brookner. 205 pages. \$15.95. Pantheon Books Inc., 201 East 50th Street, New York, N. Y. 10022.

Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani

I N such previous novels as "Look at Me,"
"The Debut" and "Family and Friends,"
the British writer Anita Brookner has mapped out a recognizable social world, a world where politely accented exchanges and genteel activities — chamber music concerts, tea dances, family dinners — belie an adherence to harsh Darwinian rules. Here, innocence nearly always succumbs to sophistication; sincerity to shrewdness, cunning and duplicity.

Those who are strong engineer complicated romantic and familial entanglements, while those who are weak meekly play out their appointed roles. As a result, the author's timid, ill-bred heroines are almost doomed from the start — they are "born to lose" just as surely as their more ruthless adversaries are born to succeed.

Now, in her latest novel "A Friend From England," Brookner works a variation on this theme. Her narrator, Rachel, is clearly another one of those familiar heroines — lonely, alienated, inept at love and fearful of being hurt. She works at a bookshop, which she owns with two friends; lives simply in an austere little flat; and has "made a conscious decision to eschew complications" in terms of men. It's unclear exactly what's happened to Rachel in the past, but it seems that she's suffered some sort of devastating affair, for she still suffers bad dreams in which she falls in love, only to

lose control and precipitously drown. "Thinking, for me, is accompanied by a wave of sadness," she says. "Therefore I try to avoid introspection. I long ago decided to live

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my life on the surface, avoiding entanglements, confrontations, situations that cannot quickly be resolved, friendships that lead to passion."
What sets Rachel apart from earlier Brookner heroines is that she doesn't perceive herself as a victim — at least, not initially. Rather, she likes to think of herself as someone savvy in the ways of the world, a woman protected from the dangers of society by the

carapace of her own cynicism. As a result, she portrays her relationship with the Livingstone family — the pivotal relationship in this book — in faintly condescending terms, as though she were the sophisticated one, and they, the helpless innocents. She tells us that they need her to help chaperone their daughter, Heather, in her entry into the perilous grown-up world, that her job is to somehow guide Heather 'towards a radiant future."

Though she keeps insisting that she's terribly fond of them, Rachel's descriptions of the Livingstones' stuffy, suburban existence and their bland personalities are patronizing, if not downright mocking: Again and again, she uses such adjectives as "placid," "resigned," "list-less," "mild" and "becalmed." She portrays Oscar Livingstone as "home-loving and uxorious, mildly inert, a bulky soft-voiced man with beautifully cared-for hands, something about him broadcasting the resignation of a school-boy who has to submit to an inspection before he is allowed to leave the house"; his wife he is allowed to leave the house"; his wife Dorrie as a doting, sentimental home-maker, continually fussing about tea and napkins and hiscuits. Rachel's fiercest contempt, however, is reserved for their daughter, Heather, who is described as a "heifer," a coddled and naïve "child of the middle classes," a young matron whose "Gioconda-like smile was a little too placid, a little too immovable."

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As ever, Brookner's miniaturist command of the details of bourgeois life give us an intimate, if suffocating, sense of her characters' daily lives - all set down in precise, well-groomed prose. In other respects, however, "A Friend From England" points up some of her limitations as a novelist.

Though it's easy enough to pass off the repetitious personalities as an obsessive tic on the part of her narrator, the reader familiar with Brookner's other books will recognize her repeated tendency to explain, rather than dramatize, to tell rather than show. After so many paragraphs about furniture and food, so many paragraphs summarizing people's habits and tastes, the reader begins to long for some sort of action or bit of dialogue that might reveal what the characters are really thinking or feeling. In fact, by its end, the novel seems every bit as passive as the people's lives it so elegant-

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By Robert Byrne

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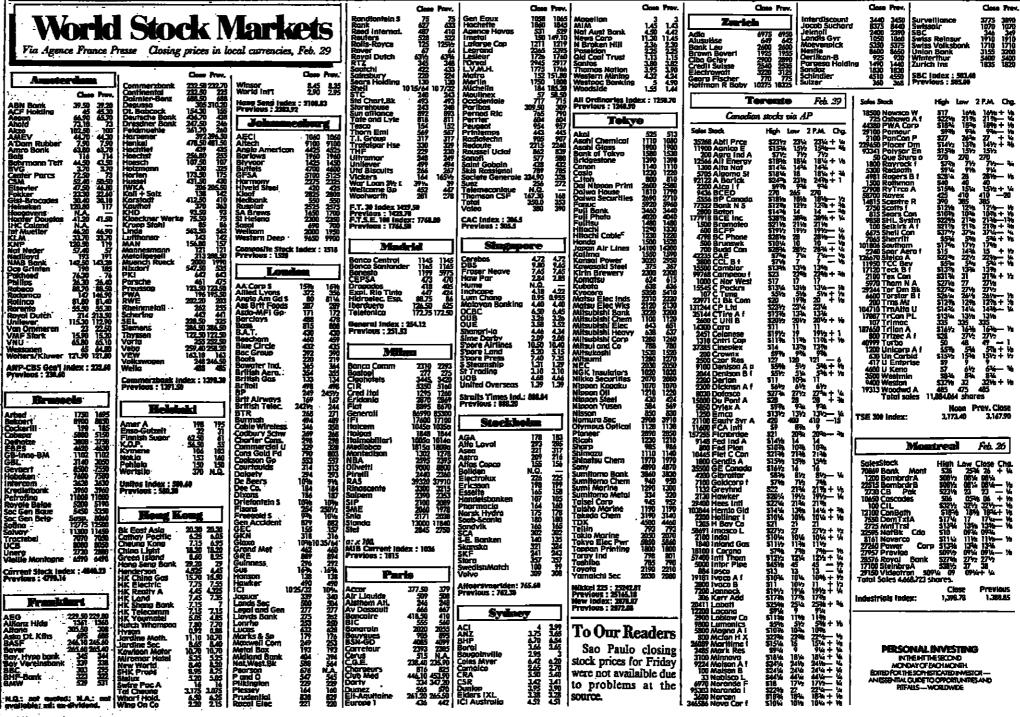
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Saints and Sinners

WASHINGTON — The first ever since I attended the University of Southern California, but Swagwas on TV in my kitchen at 8 gart was was the first preacher to making porridge when this voice one to beg forgiveness from. boomed out, "You are a sinner and

I was so amazed at how much forgive me. Swaggart knew about me I sent him

a check for \$50. The next Sunday I got up and turned on the set. In truth, I was boping he would announce the names of those who had

But Swaggart had other fish to fry. He took off Buchwald after people who bought or sold pornography and said the wrath of God would fall on us and we would be eaten by worms and slugs - or

I stopped watching "Saturday Night Live" so I would be fresh when I turned on Swaggart in the morning. I couldn't believe it, but I wanted him to punish me.

words to that effect. Then he start-

П The reverend was unmerciful. He railed at me for my obsessive avarice. He said his God was better than my God. He marched up and down the stage and then stopped and pointed his finger directly at me, promising a plague of locusts in my washing machine — or words to that effect. He gave me no choice so I sent him \$500.

Did I feel better after I sent off the money? Of course I did. I had been engaging in immoral behavior

Soviet Show in London

LONDON — Thirty-eight paintings from the Hermitage and Pushkin museums will be shown at London's National Gallery June 15-Sept. 18. The exhibition will include canvases by the Impressionists Sisley, Monet and Renoir, and the Post-Impressionists Cezanne, Gauguin and van Gogh. In return the National Gallery will send works from its collection of European masters to the Soviet

o'clock Sunday morning. I was call attention to it. I now had some-

The winter went along as winters you are damned to burn in hell do. Swappart called me a thief, a until you beg forgiveness and liar, a scurvy nonbeliever and cleanse your soul" - or words to words to that effect. I, in turn, wept as I sent him checks so he would

Then the Jim and Tammy Bakker story broke, and I thought to myself, "Surely Jimmy Swaggart will forgive one of his own." But what makes Jimmy a great preacher is he doesn't discriminate. If you slip, you go right down into the cellar with those who have offended the Lord. Swaggart was not going to punch anyone's ticket who had committed adultery on church time. Nobody was as tough on Jim-

my and Tammy as Swaggart.

I was so impressed with his stance I sent \$500 to him and a supplementary \$250 for bashing Jimmy Bakker.

Then it happened. I was watched crying and I sent him a check for ing the Olympics when the announcer said Jimmy Swaggart was being investigated by his church for having been caught with a prostitute in a pornographic situation that was too weird to be described on television.

I dropped to my knees and cried, "Say it isn't so, Jimmy." But Jimmy came on TV a little

later and said it was so, as buckets of tears flowed down his cheeks. My first idea was that it was a frame-up. Then I thought to myself, if it isn't a frame-up, Swaggart is going to need money. I sent him a check for \$200.

The thing that bothered me was that all these months while Swaggart was accusing me of being a sinner, it turns out he was the meanest transgressor on the tube. Did this make him better or worse

than me? "The real sin," a fundamentalist taxi driver told me, "is not the atrocity Swaggart confessed to, but the outrage he committed against evangelical broadcasting. People who watch ministers on television want them squeaky clean. I can see the Lord forgiving Swaggart for his sexual misconduct, but I would not bet on the electronic preachers out there who depend on their checks every Monday morning.

Heavy Metal Humor Roars Into Spotlight

By Stephen Holden New York Times Service

N EW YORK — Resplendent in glitter-ing rock-star garb, Eddie Murphy prowls the stage in his hit concert movie, "Raw," like a sleek young lion. Baring his teeth in a dazzling ear-to-ear grin, the 26year-old king of comedy from Hempstead, New York, playfully cuffs his fellow show-business icons. He locates a pompous prude lurking beneath Bill Cosby's avuncular joviality and finds a thin-skinned hysteric inside Richard Pryor's hipster. With vicious accuracy, he impersonates effeminate homosexuals, macho Italian-Americans and middle-class white managerial types.

As a needler of celebrities and a supercilious social parodist, Murphy is not all that different from the Bob Hope of 30 years ago who tweaked celebrity egos and lisped with a limp wrist. He has the same impeccably measured timing, the same impene-trable killer's smile, the same cool, monarchal self-confidence. But while their similarities go deep, their differences are far more profound. If he possesses Bob Hope's imperial suavity, he is also the proud heir of a decades-old burlesque-show tradition of scatological party humor that Redd Foxx and others were instrumental in bringing into the mainstream of American comedy. White hipsters like Lenny Bruce and George Carlin were key figures in intellectually legitimizing this blue humor. And, preceding Murphy, Richard Pryor grabbed it by the scruff of the neck and elevated it into perilous, pyro-

technical art. As Murphy has been swept to the pinnacle of entertainment, older comedians like Rodney Dangerfield have been discovered and embraced by youthful audiences who have found in Dangerfield's crude, roaring hostility the comic equivalent of leering heavy-metal rock.

Dangerfield, who owns a popular New York comedy club, has fathered a whole school of screamingly profane, assaultive male comedians, among them Sam Kinison, Andrew (Dice) Clay and Bob Goldthwait. Their phenomenal popularity in the comedy world is comparable to that of Ozzy Osbourne and the Beastie Boys in rock music. Heavy-metal rock has often been called "head-banging music" because it expresses adolescent sexual frustration and a feeling of social confinement, Outrageous "attack comedy" voices the same sense of pent-up frustration with no outlet other than wanton verbal aggression. An indispensable conduit to its success has been cable television, which has brought

people are equal in their bodily functions, animal desires and revulsions. In his wild-cyed freewheeling confessions, Pryor trans-cendently carried this concept into social and metaphysical realms. Murphy, who grew up worshiping Pryor, has synthesized his idol's ghetto-wise truth-telling, graphic language and sexual explicitness with

Hope's toastmaster style. The 66-year-old Dangerfield, who stands one rung below Murphy in popular-ity, recently sold out a two-week engage-ment at the Mark Hellinger Theater on Broadway. The generous mentor to a veritable brigade of roughneck proteges, Dangerfield is a beleaguered everyman roaring his comic resentment about his own ordi-

A walking textbook of macho anxieties, he barks a hilarious, profane litany of complaints about failing sexual powers, ungo-vernable bodily functions and physical self-loathing. With his pugilist's mug, huge saucer eyes that snap instantaneously back and forth between wonder and resentment, and foul-mouthed roar, he suggests a proto-heavy-metal rock star, punching out hostility like a bullying drill instructor.

It was not so long ago that judiciously placed profanity in comedy was a strategic ingredient in the crusade for freedom of expression. Today, the same language, only rougher, has become a key factor in what has been called "attack humor." When heckled, Dangerfield gleefully smears his opponents to the wall. But his most provocative proteges are even more aggressive than he. Sam Kinison, who had his own Home Box Office special, "Breaking the Rules," last year, escalates his mentor's growls into primal screams that punctuate an act obsessed with sex. Dressed as a derelict crank street preacher, Kinison looks and sounds like Mickey Rooney as an ex-hippie on the skids. And on occasion he stomps recklessly into territory where few dare tread. Addressing the AIDS crisis, he allows that he "has nothing against the gay life style," then lets loose with a primal howl. "Thanks, guys — thanks for giving us the black plague of the "80s!"

On "Nothin' Goes Right," Dangerfield's latest Home Box Office special, in which he presents several of his favorite young comedians, the Brooklyn comic Andrew (Dice) Clay matches Kinison in grossness. Affecting full black leather regalia, Clay parodies a macho hoodlum who responds to his girlfriend's pleas for tender sexual

foreplay by snarling "Honey, didn't I smack you around already today?"

The most interesting comic screamer—
and the only one to talk politics—is Bob nnceasored performances into millions of homes across the country.

The basic tenet of outrageous comedy, as announced by Redd Foxx, is that all Goldthwait plays a snorting half-crazed



Rodney Dangerfield, leering hostility.

hippic wildman obsessed with horrifying trivia ("I saw on the news that a Twinkie has so many chemicals in it that it has a shelf life of 20 years!") and prone to bizarre speculation. "Elvis Presley didn't have to die," he screams. "That man was so rich he didn't have to take drugs — he could have paid people to perform hallucinations for him.

The arm of stand-up comedy that mocks, screams and curses without any overt political or intellectual justification is a reflection of a broader trend. It is an extension of an adolescent culture of gross-ness that has become entrenched throughout the American popular arts since the advent of heavy-metal arena rock in the early 1970s. Today, this expanding culture is represented in the movies by everything from the teen-age gore of "Friday the 13th" to the prurience of "Porky's," to the muscle-bound, blood-splattering escapades of Sylvester Stallone and Arnold Schwarzenegger.
The humorous reveling in comic carnage

for its own sake is a cornerstone of this adolescent-oriented culture. This mood is fueled by television's bombarding every-one with frustrating fantasies of instant gratification. But on a deeper level, the culture of grossness may also be a collective response to an increasingly ugly and polluted urban environment. The flaunting of an excremental vocabulary unavoidably

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Along with disgust, much outrageous humor carries an aura that might be described as curdled hipness. During the '60s and '70s, comedy, like rock music, devoted much of its energy to exposing and assaulting the hypocrisy of what was seen as a warmongering, sexually repressed establishment culture.

But as the political climate turned more conservative and materialistic and as countercultural dreams either faded or turned into nightmares, hip irreverence soured into cynicism, and the wink in the eye of comedy's cutting edge became a sneer.

While the field of comedy has accepted

women in greater numbers than ever before, it is worth noting that the outrageous wing that includes Murphy and Dangerfield is male dominated. While many mainstream female comics use profanities, there are no nationally famous women screamers and cursers. Joan Rivers, the country's most popular female comic, is catty but prudish. Judy Tenuta, one of the fastestrising woman comics, expresses plenty of hostility toward men, whom she derisively labels "stud puppets." But while Tenuta's tirades have a feisty edge, they are delivered by a kooky invented character who wears a tattered prom dress, speaks in stylized growls and shrieks, totes an accordion and greets the audience, "Hi, pigs."

Roseanne Barr, a hefty, gum-popping housewife and mother of three, minces no words in commenting on everything from child rearing and housework to married life, but her basic attitude is more tough live-and-let-live than it is hostile. Sandra Bernhard, a brilliant maverick, has a quicksilver temperament that changes from free-floating hostility to melting tenderness. But the androgynous Bernhard is not bawdy in the manner of '50s female come-dians like Belle Barth and Rusty Warren, who assessed the sexual combat zone as lustily as their male peers in blue humor. Today's angrier women, rather than fight back, would rather withdraw from the fray

Stand-up comedians long ago adopted a chillingly succinct vocabulary to describe success or failure with an audience. You either kill or you die.

Could it be that all the curses and roars

are really just a desperate attempt to shout down a collective fear of social breakdown and worse times ahead? Are we being warned to toughen up for tougher times? Or are those times already here? If so, what the racket is telling us is that we do indeed live in a dog-eat-dog jungle, taking whatev-er laughter we can find while wallowing in the mess we've made.

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Massimo Ranieri won the year San Remo competition of halfpopular music with a song about middle-age love, despite criticomplaints that most of this year songs sounded alike. Ranien, 37, made his first appearance at San Remo song festival when was 17. He won on Sunday v Perdere l'Amore" (Losing

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